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Patten unveils £3bn plan to ease poll tax

BY ROBIN OAKLEY AND NICHOLAS WOOD

onment secretary, yesterday announced a £3.26

1½ per cent on value-added
tax. Alternatively, it would billion boost for local authority spending designed to limit average poll tax increases next year to £22 a person.

receive help for the first sultations will take place on time because of changes in sorting out anomalies that afthe transitional relief fect those who are involuntary scheme, which will aid second home owners, those those living in previously who live over the shop and low-rated areas, and up to It million people will receive additional help.

Mr Patten, who was given a warm reception by anxious Tory backbenchers, hailed his settlement as "generous by any measure". Labour, however, called it a "paltry package" that would salvage nothing from the disaster of

The prime minister said that the new money gained by Mr Patten to make the poli tax more politically palatable was evidence of her readiness to respond to backbench concerns. On the day, however, that the cabinet agreed to maintain strict control of public spending, Margaret Thatcher's address to the backbench 1922 committee of Tory MPs left no doubt that the size of the poll tax settlement meant less for other denartments

Echoing John Major, the chancellor, she said that with privatisation receipts and tax revenues down, the Treasury was "no pot of gold". The £3.26 billion increase in

support to local authorities is equivalent to a little more than 2p on the basic rate of

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Bond offers to resign

Alan Bond has offered to resign as chairman of Bond Corporation and to give up control of the company that bears his name. The decision was adjourned until August 9.

In Sydney, American creditors of Bond Brewing Holdings have ordered legal proceedings to begin in Australia against Mr Bond and two BBH directors, declaring them personally liable for repayment of AUS\$646 million Page 25

Tolstoy 'ruined' Count Nikolai Tolstoy said he faces ruin after the Court of Appeal ruled that his appeal against £1.5m libel damages awarded to Lord Aldington should be dismissed Page 7

Bulgaria risk

During its first week in existence. Bulgaria's new parliament has succeeded in ensuring the country's political turmoil will increase by by inviting the country's former dictator, Todor Zhivkov, to appear before it Page 10

Proms threat

On the first day of the Henry Wood Promenade Concert season, Richard Morrison suggests that the BBC, by asking for commercial sponsorship for the Proms, risks losing its enlightened and cultural

Earnings rise

Average earnings growth accelerated to an annual 9.75 per cent in May despite a continued increase in seasonally-adjusted unemployment. In June unemployment rose 5,600 to 1,617,000..... Page 25

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cover the running costs of more than 3,000 big com-

prehensive schools.
The poll tax reform, as Four million people will structure of the tax, but conthose in temporary bed and breakfast accommodation.

Despite sharp constraints on public spending agreed at yesterday's cabinet meeting, Mr Patten's colleagues sup-ported the Treasury's concession of £2.10 billion for what was conceded to be a crucial political objective.

Mr Patten, who had earlier won his battle not to be forced into new poll tax legislation, pleased Tory backbenchers with the biggest ever cash increase in local government spending. To meet the insistence of the prime minister and the chancellor that the money goes to reducing poll tax bills and not in higher spending, Mr Patten made plain that he would not hesitate next year "vigorously" to cap the community charges of high spending councils.

The environment secretary believes that the levels of standard spending assessment and the revenue support grant he is setting for local authorities next year will result in average poll tax bills of £379, a rise of £22 over this year, despite increases in local authority responsibilities. Before yesterday's announcement, local authority associations were

could exceed £500. achieve a package, at reason-able cost to the Treasury, ingly low level of collection. which would take the poll tax off the front pages, soothe Tory party concerns and avoid the need for primary legislation. Last night, his colleagues believed that, after a long and bumpy ride in the cabinet committee wrestling with the party's biggest political problem, he had met

those objectives. The biggest change is the increase in transitional relief schemes. Instead of being cut to £260 million next year, transitional relief will be extended to £570 million. Phasing out of the relief will be delayed for two years, benefiting up to 11 million people, including four million people for the first time. The maximum increase faced by charge payers will be cut from this year's £3 a week to £2 a week as long as their local authority

CHRIS Patten, the envir- income tax, or slightly above spends in line with Whitehall The amount of money pro-

vided for local government from the revenue support grant, the business rate and direct grants will rise next year from £23.1 billion to £26.05 promised, contains no alter-ation in the basic principles or billion, a 12.8 per cent increase. There is £2.10 billion in "new money", made up of £1.79 billion in increased grant and £310 in extra transitional relief. With the £1.16 billion previously allocated for an increase in local government spending the total is £3.26 billion.

Mr Patten's efforts were dismissed as "tinkering" and a "pre-election sop" by oppo-nents. The Association of Metropolitan Authorities said the settlement was £2 billion less than what was needed and that the gap could be closed only by adding more than £50 to poll tax bills.

Although Tory MPs publicly closed ranks behind Mr Patten, privately there was some disappointment that he had not made more fundamental changes. Some backbenchers were also wor-ried that councils would find ways of evading the stricter controls on spending.

Labour was scathing about Mr Patten's "paltry package", saying that bills would rise sharply that services would be cut. Bryan Gould, the Opposition's chief environment spokesman, said Mr Patten's statement was an admission that the poll tax was a disaster from which nothing could be

The extra £2 billion would not be enough to cover the errors of last year, to allow for inflation, to meet the cost of saying that average levels new commitments imposed on local authorities, to remove Mr Patten's aim was to the most glaring anomalies,

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Faldo only one shot behind Open leaders

NICK Faldo, winner of the US Masters for the second successive time in April, brought his first round in the Open golf championship to an exhilarating conclusion at St Andrews yesterday, holing a 45-yard pitch-and-run for an eagle two at the 18th and a

total of 67, five under par. That put him one stroke behind the joint leaders, Greg Norman, one of the tournament favourites, and Michael Allen, an American of less distinguished reputation.

There was a group of eight players on 68 including Ian Woosnam and Sam Torrance, who with Faldo represent the strongest British challenge. Peter Jacobsen, who had

recorded five consecutive birdies from the third hole, was six under par with two holes to play, but the 17th cost him two strokes. Severiano Ballesteros and Mark Calcavecchia, winners in 1988 and 1989, both took 71.

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girls face Thai drug charges

By Craig Seton, and NEIL KELLY IN BANGKOK

TWO teenage British girls arrested in Thailand on drugsmuggling charges are expected to appear in court in Bangkok today. The gals, on their first trip abroad, were detained in the early hours of yesterday after 67lb of topgrade heroin with an estimated street value of £4 million was allegedly their baggage.

Karyn Joanne Smith, aged 19, from Solihull, and Patricia Ann Cahill, 17, from Birmingham, were arrested at Bangkok's Don Maung airport as they tried to board a flight to Amsterdam with onward tickets to The Gambia. Their parents are to fly to Thailand as soon as they can.

The Foreign Office said Thai police had told them that Miss Cahill would appear before a juvenile court and be sent to a juvenile remand centre. Miss Smith would be sent to Klong Prem prison outside the capital. Under That law she could be executed by firing squad if con-victed. Miss Cahill would not be executed because she is under 18.

John Francis, the British consul in Bangkok said of the drugs haul: "It is a hell of a lot .. an enormous amount. It is the first case we have had of a UK citizen carrying such a large quantity." He added that the girls were "in a bit of a state of shock but appear to be

in good health". Miss Cahili's father. Patrick, aged 43, said he had believed his daughter to be on holiday in Scotland. "This has been such a shock, but now we just want to get over there to see her. I don't know why she went to Thailand. Perhaps she was terrified into it."

Customs officers found the heroin in specially constructed containers of condensed milk, tea. coffee and biscuits. They said they would not have detected it without a tip-off. Both girls denied knowledge

Scargill blow as NUM wins ruling on £1.4m

By TIM JONES, EMPLOYMENT CORRESPONDENT

THE National Union of London. The hearing in the breach of trust. An applica-Mineworkers was granted an High Court in Dublin bow- tion for an interlocutory injunction last night in Dublin to freeze the £1.4 million of Soviet and East European the first time since it was money donated to help striking British miners, when de-tails of the money held in the Irish Intercontinental Bank in Merrion Square, Dublin, were made public.

The application was the first move after the executive European Parliament, des-Arthur Scargill, its president, Miners Defence Aid Fund, at and Peter Heathfield, the genthe time of the miners' strike eral secretary, for the recovery of the money. The move, approved unanimously by the 14-member executive at its headquarters in Sheffield, clearly shook both men who were ordered out of the room

before the decision was taken. The Dublin injunction was one of four moves taken in London and Vienna as well as Dublin and Paris within hours of the decision pending action for breaches of trust. Lawyers acting for the union appeared before Justice Michael Davies and that they make restitution to the plaintiffs in lieu of

ever was in public and details of the account were given for opened in January 1985.

opened in the names of Alain Simon, of France, general secretary of the international Miners' Organisation, and Norman West, member of the in 1984. M Simon and Mr West are also restrained by the injunction, effective until July

ian Finlay, for the NUM, told the court that the account was opened in January 1985 when Mr Scargill took steps to avoid the attentions of the

sequestrator. against four defendants, including Mr Heathfield, in the English action is for

injunction with the other parties present or represented will be made on Friday, July 27. Defendants were given liberty The court was told it was to apply to court in the

Overseas edition

In Sheffield last night, Mr Scargill and Mr Heathfield were being followed by men who apparently had the task of passing on their whereabouts began legal proceedings to sue cribed as a trustee of the to court baiiffs making their way from London with writs. After the executive meeting

Mr Scargill condemned his colleagues' action as "ludicrous and completely crack-ers", saying the affair should be resolved by negotiation and arbitration. Mr Heathfield said: "I feel hard done by. I think it is diabolical."

Although Mr Scargill is adamant he has done nothing The substantive claim wrong and dismissed a suggestion that he would be forced out, the prospect of his being hauled to court by his own damages for breach of trust members will create a leadership crisis and increase the pressures on him to resign.

Saturday Review

Saint Laurent: in my fashion



talks to Liz Smith about his stewardship of the world's leading fashion house and his struggie against illness. and his partners

discuss their relationship with Saint Laurent

A renaissance



The reopening by the Queen shortly of the Kennet and Avon canal will be a landmark in the history of Britain's waterways. What are the prospects for this new canal age?

Hamlet and the joker, reunited



Woody Allen's latest film, opening in Britain next Friday, marks his return to a fusion of comedy and angst

Plus . . .

Best of British beaches. John Julius Norwich enthuses over galleries, Bugs Bunny at 50, the video threat to American freedom, the rise of women playrights. Leonard Cheshire's childhood All this and more in The Times tomorrow

China rejects US line on Cambodia

From Catherine Sampson in Canton

CHINA yesterday opposed of State, has also left several of the call by the United States to its allies in a dilemma. Toshiki the Cambodian resistance co- Kaifu, prime minister of Jaalition to vacate its United pan, said last night he wel-Nations seat. Peking's staunch comed Mr Baker's initiative as support for the tripartite co-alition, which comprises the the sharp policy change would non-communist factions of not affect Japan's own course. Prince Sihanouk and Son Sann and the communist Khmer Rouge, confirms that the bond between the resis-tance and China holds strong in the face of the new chall-

enge from Washington. "Before a comprehensive agreement and a political settlement in Cambodia can be reached, the seat of Cam-bodia should not be left vacant." Jin Guihua, a Chi-

Washington's change of policy, announced on Wednesday Britons warned, page 3 | by James Baker, the Secretary

Australia, which finds its peace plan undermined, as well as the countries of South-East Asia led by Singapore, which have for years lobbied to maintain the UN seat, find

new US line. The US decision to withdraw support for the coalition, and to open talks with Vietnam to find a solution to the Cambodian conflict, is aimed nese foreign ministry spokes-man, said in Peking. at preventing a Khmer Rouge return to power.

themselves at odds with the

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200 years before Ridley, the good German guide



The good German: witty and pious

By ALAN FRANKS

THE English in general, and Mr Nicholas Ridley in particular, will draw comfort from a colourful guide to the characteristics of Europe's ten leading nations. His compatriots emerge as the leagueleaders, credited with a "highly developed moral sense" and "kindly disposition", while the Germans, or at least some of them, are found guilty of cruelty and superstition. No matter that the document was compiled 250

Called the Chart of Nations, it was intended as a thumbnail directory for coachmen and innkeepers along the north-south route to Italy across the heart of the Habsburg empire. Copies were gratefully pinned to the walls of

bars and hotels in the heyday of although a little on the stingy side the European Grand Tour. The modern Conservative

party would have approved, since the aim was the quickening of sound trade. Although its authorship is unknown, it plainly does not emanate from an academic of the kind favoured by Mrs Thatcher for her secret seminars, and has a tabloid approach more reminiscent of Asterix than of

There are the good Germans, from the north of the country, and the bad ones from the south, the latter dismissively lumped together under the label of Swabians. Although the Britons shine as the postillions' favourite customers, the good Germans are not far behind, being considered witty, pious and open-hearted.

and too fond of drinking. There is a distinct facial resem-

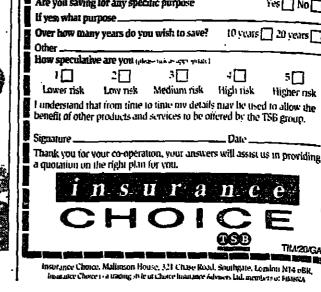
blance between the guide's model of this breed and the present British prime minister. The bad Germans, however, get it in the neck: dim-witted, toping zealots whose single saving grace is fearlessness in battle.

A copy of the chart, which was conceived in south-east Austria, has been rescued from oblivion by the journal Historia in Budapest. Contemporary historians may find some irony here, since it was in this city that Mr Ridley was to be found even as his own remarks in The Spectator on the national traits of Germans were hitting the streets of Britain.

Gabriel Ronay, page 18







Patten extends transitional relief for 11.5m payers

By ROBIN OAKLEY AND NICHOLAS WOOD

THE revenue support grant announcement and the package of poll tax reforms outlined yesterday by Chris Patten, the environment secretary, should result, the government says, in an average poll tax level next year of £379 - £22 more than the average this year after capping of highspending authorities.

The sums allocated provide for local authorities to spend £39 billion next year compared with the planned total of £32.8 billion this year and the £36.4 billion they are spending aftercapping. They represent a 30 per cent increase in local authority spending over three years.

The sums won from the Treasury by Mr Patten to help keep down poll tax bills in the run-up to the next election amount to a 12.8 per cent increase in aggregate ex-chequer funding, the amount the govern-

increase in total standard spending, the figure set by the government at which it believes local authorities should be able to provide a decent standard of service and the sums allotted to local government for the sums allotted to local government for the sums allotted to local government for the sums are 7.1 per cent above this ways. next year are 7.1 per cent above this year's planned level of expenditure by local

The biggest concession, affecting 11.5 million people, is the increase in assistance offered through the transitional relief scheme, which limits the increases in poll tax payments for people living in previously low-rated properties. Relief payments were to have begun tapering off next year. Now the winding down of transi-tional relief will be delayed for two years. Instead of spending £260 million in the next year on relief payments the government is to spend £570 million.

At present poll tax increases are curtailed where they cost a household more than £3 a week extra compared with previous rates ment provides towards costs of local levels. That ceiling is being dropped from government. There is a £6.2 billion £3 to £2 a week. Under the government's

overall. Ministers say that the changes will be particularly good for pensioners and disabled households, all of which will gain by £52 on their community charge payments. About 7.5 million people will benefit in this way and another four million people who failed to qualify for transitional relief will be brought under its umbrella and gain up to £52 a year.Other changes will include:

☐ Involuntary second-home owners: People who have inherited a house on their parents' death, those having trouble selling their original home after moving and people in tied accommodation such as clergymen and teachers keeping a home ready for their retirement are to be helped. Poll tax bills will be simplified on lines set out in a consultation paper to go to local authorities. The new community charge make clear how much of the poil tax increase is due to each tier of local authority concerned and how the money isto be spent by the local council.

have involved payments being cut by £25 or 25 per cent. Now it will be £25 in all cases. This will benefit 3.5 million people. Deople living over the shop have complained that they have suffered particularly with the combination of uniform business rate and poll tax. Ministers say that such people used to pay both domestic and business rates in the past and that the principle is no different, but the rate at which their new higher payments will be phased in is to be 10 per cent a year instead of 15 per cent a year. Nearly 100,000 households will benefit.

Bed and breakfast: The rules governing. liability for business rates will be changed. Exemptions will not be based on time presently making rooms available for fewer than 100 days a year - but on the amount the scope for savings".

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☐ Safety net adjustments next year were to

of accommodation made available

The government is also planning changes in the mechanism for community charge capping from next April, after legal cases which ministers believe have confirmed their powers to charge-cap high spending local authorities. Unlike last year, capping criteria will be specified before councils set their budgets for next year. The new rules will announced towards the end of this financial year.

From next year, the environment secretary plans to cap authorities also on the basis of excessive increases in their year on year expenditure, which could not be judged last year because so many elements. of local government finance had been

Mr Patten intends to come down particularly hard on local authorities whose current spending is already high. They will be expected to set smaller annual increases in their budgets "because the more profligate the authority, the greater

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A decline in street disorder in ... Northern Ireland has caused a dramatic fall in the use of plastic bullets by the security forces, Hugh Annesley, chief constable of the RUC, said in his annual report yesterday

(Edward Gorman writes). The report notes that street disorder, particularly hijack-ings and vehicle burnings, was greatly reduced. "A decrease in such activity is to be welcomed and is, perhaps, an indicator that there is a change in attitude within local communities to discourage and prevent young people from engaging in such destruction.

The report discloses that the

number of plastic bullets fired by the police and army fell from 3,000 in 1988 to less than 1,000 last year. In his report, Mr Annersley again emphasised his drive to improve representation of Catholics in the RUC.

Armed men steal £½m

Three armed robbets yes. terday hijacked a security van drove to a hide-out and loaded more than £500,000 in cash into a lorry before yanishing.
The robbery took place inSutton, Surrey, from a Group
Four van with a crew of three at a Midland bank. One of the

uniform. ** Check on fraud case collapse

crew was stopped by an armed man in a Group Four

THE Police Complaints Authority is to supervise an investigation into why a fil million fraud prosecution against a man collapsed. against a man collapsed.

Kevin Taylor was acquitted in January. He said that the prosecution had been mounted to discredit his friend John Stalker, then deputy chief constable of Greater Manch-

Union votes

Members of the National Union of Journalists have ousted Harry Contoy, their general secretary, in a ballot in which 25 per cent of the 30,000 members voted. Steve-Turner, a self-styled moderate, and public opinion editor of the Daily Mirror, was elected with a 1,240 majority.

Title unsold

Sotheby's attempt to raise £250,000 from selling the Lordship of the Manor of Stratford-upon-Avon, failed dismally yesterday when the The record for a title is believed to be the £90,000 paid for the Scottish Barony of Ruchlaw earlier this year.

Police chief Colin Sampson, aged 61, an inspector of constabulary with responsibility for North East England, is to become Chief-Inspector of Constabulary for Scotland, it was announced yesterday. He was chief con-stable of West Yorkshire he tween 1983 and 1989

Rabbi's plea

Lord Jakobovits, the Chief Rabbi, has said in a letter to Douglas Hurd, the Foreign.
Secretary, that the Jewish. people should be involved in the determination of the cons ditions under which the international community will accept German reunification.

Safety changes
The Railway Inspectorate, the body responsible for monitor ing railway safety, is to be transferred to the Health and Safety Executive, Cecil Park inson, the transport secretary! said yesterday. John Prescott: Labour's transport spokes man, said the transfer was:

Councils cast ents doubt over targets for next poll tax

By Douglas Broom, Local Government correspondent

CHRIS Patten's hopes of tax next year and poll tax bills achieving an average poil tax increase of £22 per person next year looked doomed to failure last night as local authorities said they could not spend at the level they have the count their expenditude to the level they have th cut their spending to meet the of £39 billion.

Organisations representing 450 local councils had said that they needed to spend £41.6 billion to maintain services at current levels. Yesterday some gave warning that poll tax increases of up to £50

a person were inevitable. With council leaders apparently unwilling to contemplate big cuts in spending it was looking increasingly likely that Mr Patten would have to carry out his threat to cap council spending on a much wider scale than this year.

political lines with the Conserof County and District Councils giving it a cautious

the Labour-controlled Association of Metropolitan Auththat the £2.6 billion gap would have to be "filled by piling £50 on to people's poll tax bills".

Sir John's prediction that average poll tax bills would "break the £400 barrier" were which part of the bill. not shared by Roy Thomason, that councils needed to look "long and hard" at spending

Although he believed that officials had detected errors in population figures used to their own shops. calculate the government estimate of a £379 average poll

COMMONS REACTION Praise and attacks

By Our Parliamentary Staff

REACTION in the Commons delivered a long, intricate and to Mr Patten's announcement difficult obituary on the poll was predictable and familiar. Labour MPs attacked what he proposed and Conservatives congratulated him. Even Timothy Raison

(Aylesbury, C), long a critic of the community charge, welcomed the "amelioration". For the Liberal Democrats,

Simon Hughes described the poll tax would be the rock on announcement as an unsuccessful attempt to conceal the unfair nature of the community charge until after the next general election. Terence Higgins (Worthing,

C) said that the changes were greatly to be welcomed and Cranley Onslow (Woking, C), chairman of the 1922 com- pockets of the Treasury". mittee of Tory backbenchers. offered congratulations on "an excellent package".

John Fraser (Norwood, Lab) said that Mr Patten had Elastoplast politics.

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tax creature. The concepts of accountability and restraint of local government expenditure had gone out of the window.

Terence Fields (Liverpool, Broadgreen, Lab) said that the resolve of a vast army of people would be reinforced by Mr Patten's statement. The which the government would

Emma Nichelson (Devon West and Torridge, C) said that she had been a critic of the sharpness of the introduction of the community charge. She thanked Mr Patten for the way he had "shaken the

Dave Nellist (Coventry SE, Lab), one of the MPs refusing to pay the charge, said that the

ested, rather than in line environment secretary's target with government targets, average poll tax bills would rise from £357 this year to £431

The government proposes to increase the aggregate external finance paid to councils by £2.95 billion to £26.05 billion. The councils had claimed that they needed

£27.5 billion in external funding, a £4.4 billion increase on the figure for this year. If they had got their way poll tax bills would still have risen to £400. Mr Patten's clear warning

that he would not hesitate to cap overspending councils Opinion on the announce- was condemned by county ment divided along party and metropolitan councils, who said it undermined the vative-controlled Association central principle of local accountability. There was, however, grudging approval for his promise to set out in By contrast, the leader of advance the criteria to be used

There was approval too for orities, Sir John Layden, said the changes resulting from the ministerial review of the poll tax, particularly the decision to change the format of poll tax bills to enable payers to see more clearly who was levying

County councils, who have leader of the Association of faced hostility from districts behalf, said they had nothing to fear from greater openness in the billing process.

The National Federation of the targets could be met Self Employed and Small without harming core serv- Businesses welcomed the ices, he doubted that Mr Pat- promise to consider zeroten's poll tax predictions rating the tax due on flats could be fulfilled even if above shops but called for spending was kept under more action to cut the double control.Mr Thomason said his business rate and poll tax bills faced by those who lived over

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troubled **Tameside** community cheerer rescue plan was un-By Peter Davenport the day matched the frenzy of activity which now sur-rounds any official pro-nouncement about the future of Mrs Thatcher's flagship.

The prime minister's re-

view of the operation of the

community charge has come

up with no major changes.

Community charge is still a

poll tax. Most people will

still pay the same amount of

local tax regardless of their

income. Minor changes will

be made to help caravan

owners and pensioners with

savings. By and large, the flagship lumbers on.

The details of the package

are these. A total of £3.26

billion of extra central gov-

ernment support will be

pumped into local govern-ment in 1991-92. Of this

sum, an additional £310

million will go - via ex-tended "transitional relief"

- to help those who pre-

viously paid low rates bills.

The remainder, about £3

billion, will be pushed into

general local funding to try to

hold down community

Not all of the £3.3 billion

is new money. About £1.4 billion had already been

promised in the form of

extra government grant, the

transfer to the Treasury of

costs of the inter-authority

safety nets and the predicted

second-year costs of transi-

The new total of central

government - known as

aggregate external finance - has been set at £26 billion.

This figure is up 12.8 per cent from the £23.1 billion

set for 1990-91, and repre-

sents a significantly bigger year-on-year increase than

the comparable grant figures

tional relief to individuals.

charge levels in 1991.

IN A recent survey of 100 local authorities, Tameside metropolitan borough council, Greater Manchester, recorded the highest poll tax non-As had been widely prepayment levels, at 50 per cent. dicted, extra cash will be given to households which Yesterday, however, officials reported a substantial increase used to pay low rate bills, with a hefty sprinkling of in payments, now running at more than £1 million a week. additional money over the There are 165,000 people system as a whole.

Payments

pick up for

within the council area and the latest available figures show that 56,000 of them had paid a total of £4.7 million in 17 day period to last Tuesday.

The authority, which has a budget of £150 million this year, set a charge of 349.40p. It narrowly escaped capping this year, but is one of those at risk next year as Chris Patten, environment secretary, strives to restrain councils deemed highspending by the government.

Yesterday Mike Lomas. Tameside's chief revenues officer, said that because of the intial slow rate of payments, the council had had to use £10 million of reserves and borrow £3 million. It was expected that borrowing would cease and money would be paid back into reserves as poll tax income increases.

Anti-poll tax campaigners said that the high level of nonpayment recorded at the end of last month was a victory for their efforts, but council officials said that other factors were to blame. The authority despatched poll tax bills late, due to problems with its computer software. Further delays were caused by coping with changes in legislation.

The council, Labour-controlled, also decided not to send bills unamended by rebates to people that it believed would be entitled to them. A third of its poll tax payers are

entitled to benefit payments.
The survey, conducted for the BBC by the Institute of Revenues, Rating and Valuation, indicated that two thirds of local authorities in England and Wales were behind in poll tax collection.

Thatcher flagship lumbers on After Mr Patten's poll tax announcement, Tony Travers, a research director at the London School of Economics, assesses the chances of the changes damping down the debate

over the subject. set throughout the 1980s. Assuming that the business rate will pay for about £1 billion of the additional amount, the Treasury will be paying out some £2 billion. Additional government support is being provided to

try to hold down the average level of community charge and, more particularly, to relieve a number of households which lost heavily in 1990. This support has to be generous if it is to meet the new, higher, 1991 spending total without pushing up the total raised by community charge.

to accept 1990-91 budgets as a starting point, despite the criticism which ministers heaped on councils for their spending this year.

for 1991-92 has been set at £39 billion, which compares with budgets for the current year of £36.6 billion. This vear-on-year increase of about 7 per cent is below the rate of inflation, though much higher than the 4 per



cent which was assumed for 1990-91. The gap between the government's overall funding for local government, set at £26 billion and the assumed spending figure for 1991-92 at £39 billion will have to be

A change here and there but the

In order to create a reasonable basis for 1991-92 plans, Mr Patten has had, wearily,

Total Standard Spending

has achieved maximum pol-

of the new jigsaw is the enhanced scheme of transi-tional relief. Mr Patten described his proposals as being "designed to help former ratepayers, and pensioners or disabled people who were not ratepayers, who faced significant increases in their bills as a result of the change to the new system". What he wants to do is to help households which up to March this year paid low rate bills, and which have seen their local tax bills rise by 200 or 300 per cent or more despite the 1990-91 transitional relief. His new scheme will re-

bridged by the community charge. On this basis, the

1991-92 average charge

The final important piece

would be £379 per adult.

duce the maximum increase which a one- or two-adult household will face when the poll tax bill is compared with the previous local tax bill. As in this year's scheme, the 1989-90 rate bill for a household will be compared with the government's assumed (not actual) 1990-91 community charge for one or two people. Where the loss is more than £104 (as opposed to £156 in the 1990 scheme) the government will pay the whole extra amount above £104. Put more simply, any-one who received relief in 1990-91 will receive an extra £52 per year in 1991-92. Some people will qualify for

the first time. The total cost of this enhanced scheme of transitional relief will be £570 million in 1991-92, compared with the original scheme which would have cost about £260 million. The extra money will mean that over 11 million individuals can expect to qualify for help

The extra cash which Mr Patten has won from the Treasury has been cleverly used. The extra £310 million for transitional relief will assist large numbers of politically marginal house holds in the north and the midlands who would otherwise have faced a second year of paying a local tax bill which was more than double what they had to pay under the old system. By aiming this cash precisely at losing households, the government

itical effect for the least The additional general finance, in the shape of extra grant and business rates, should, on the government's estimates, hold the increase in community charge to about 5 per cent. But, the local authorities will argue strongly that the 7 per cent inflation assumption is unrealistic. In fact, with most commentators predicting inflation to fall significantly during 1991, the level of cost increases from April 1991 to April 1992 should be well

below the present inflation rate of 9.8 per cent. So, if inflation really does fall to about 7 per cent for most of 1991-92, and if local authorities can be convinced to introduce reforms to food safety, child protection and the environment by making savings elsewhere, the government could just get away with an average community charge in 1991 below the politically-sensitive £400 level.

Although the community charge continues in a broadly unreconstructed state, some of the changes announced vesterday do nothing for ministers' aspirations for greater accountability.

Mr Patten has calmed the waters for the summer. The flagship can, if the government is lucky, spend the next few months out of the pol-itical battle. The real test will come with the size of next year's bills and the public reaction to them.

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Britons warned of drugs hazards in south east Asia

THE arrest of the two British small percentage of the 331kg cigners and does not apply to girls in Thailand yesterday of heroin seized in Britain those aged under 18. Britain and Thailand signed an expense of the 331kg cigners and does not apply to girls in Thailand yesterday of heroin seized in Britain those aged under 18. people travelling to south east Asia about the dangers of

Thailand, where Britain has responsibility for 197 people imprisoned for drug offences, has joined Malaysia in its high-profile and ruthless camseverest penalties on any perand Italian warp of the severe paign to cradicate heroin son regardless of nationality, smuggling.

A measure of the problem facing the authorities is illustrated by the amount of drug seizures made annually. In the year to May the authorities seized and destroyed 1,924kgs narcotics crimes. of narcotics, including 658kgs of heroin, produced in the isted since 1979 for the im-

prompted the Foreign Office came from Thailand; 80 per and Thailand signed an exto reiterate its warning to cent comes from from the change of prisoners treaty in Indian subcontinent's Golden January whereby prisoners Crescent, an area bordering can serve the latter part of

Iran. The Thai government recently issued a stern warning about drug smuggling, and said that it would impose the who broke the law.

There is a mandatory 25ficking, and between one and

Golden Triangle, on the borders of Burma, Laos and Thailand, and one of two big opium-producing areas of the street is usually commuted Customs and Excise said a sentence is usually commuted to life imprisonment for for-

Parents believe girls were used

By CRAIG SETON

Patricia Cahill, aged 17, and terrified into carrying drugs or Karen Smith, aged 18, both from the West Midlands, were thought two weeks ago to have money. That has to be the gone on holiday to Scotland. incentive for two girls who

Last night Karen's father were not working to put their left to fly to Bangkok. Pa-tricia's father is expected to In an inter follow today. The girls were Birmingham Evening Mail arrested by customs officials yesterday, Karen's father, Eric at the international airport as Smith, aged 57, a technician, they were about to board a of Foredrove Lane, Solihull, flight to Amsterdam, alleg-edly carrying 20 kilos of on July 5 to say she was in heroin in shampoo bottles and coffee and biscuit tins.

Patricia and Karen, who share a flat in Birmingham, they were in Thailand. both face long prison sentences if convicted. It was uncountry and had little money suddenly travelled to Thai- abroad without our per-

Patricia's parents said they to Thailand with the men.

Patricia's father, Patrick Cahill, aged 43, said she left home five weeks ago to share a Legal representatives have flat with Karen, an unempbeen appointed."

THE parents of one of the loyed hairdresser, after disag-British girls charged with reements about the company attempting to smuggle heroin she kept. Mr Cahill, a self empoyed builder of Coombe land said yesterday that they Lane, West Heath, Birmingbelieved the girls could have ham, said his daughter, a been used by drug-runners. trainee nurse, may have been

> In an interview with the on July 5 to say she was in Scotland with Patricia. The following day Patricia's mother telephoned to say that

clear yesterday how two girls heard she was in Bangkok who had never before left the from a friend. We contacted the police to say she was land and allegedly became mission, but they said there involved in smuggling. was nothing we could do."

The couples heard of the had been concerned about two arrests late on Wednesday men the girls had met and night from West Midlands feared they were involved police. The Foreign Office with people using drugs. They said yesterday that Carol believed they may have gone Downs, British vice consul in Bangkok, had visited the girls. A spokesman said: "They were well although anxious.

drugs and the penalties Pakistan, Afghanistan and their sentence in their home country. As yet no Briton has been repatriated.

At Bangkok's Don Muang international airport notices penalties imposed for drug offences. The signs went up in the arrivals hall as a result of year sentence for heroin traf- pressure from the British and American embassies after a dramatic increase in arrests of their citizens. Foreigners are also made aware of the dangers on immigration cards they complete before entering the country.

In spite of the penalties, many Britons have acted as couriers for international syndicates. They face big risks but if successful can earn large sums of money. Only an estimated 10 per cent of heroin is found.

The most celebrated case involving a Briton was that of Rita Nightingale, a British nurse, sentenced to 20 years in 1977 for drug smuggling. She was released in the early 1980s. Four million tourists visit Thailand every year, four times the figure a decade ago, and last year 95,000 UK residents went there. In Malaysia in particular, tourists are constantly warned of the strict penalties they face if found with drugs.

In Malaysia since 1983 the death sentence has been mandatory for possession of more than 25 grammes of dangerous drugs and three Westerners have been executed. In July 1986 Kevin Barlow, born in Stoke on Trent, and Brina Chambers from Australia, were hanged for heroin smuggling. Three years later Derrick Gregory was executed.

According to the National Council for the Welfare of Prisoners Abroad conditions in the Thai prisons are grim. Remand prisoners are held in heavy leg irons which are increased to weigh as much as 15kgs during court appearances. A trial can take up to three years. If defendants win their case the prosecution can get them tried again at least twice for the same offence.

Prisoners must have their own money to buy food, blankets, clothes and medicines and dental treatment. They cannot survive on t daily prison food rations.

There is little violence in Thai prisons as most Thais are Buddhists, but deaths are caused by lack of hygiene.

Patricia Cahill, top left, and Karen Smith who face drug smuggling charges in Thailand. Above, a Thai customs officer inspects heroin allegedly found in the girls' luggage as they were about to leave for Amsterdam

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Wife let rape go on to save children

A VICAR'S wife allowed herself to be raped to save her sleeping daughters, aged five and seven, from an intruder armed with a spade.

Judge Richardson told the Central Criminal Court yesterday that the woman's sacri-fice had destroyed her life. He jailed Kevin Sheridan, aged 31, for nine years.

The judge told Sheridan: "I am sure you succeeded more easily because she was determined you would not go into her children's room."

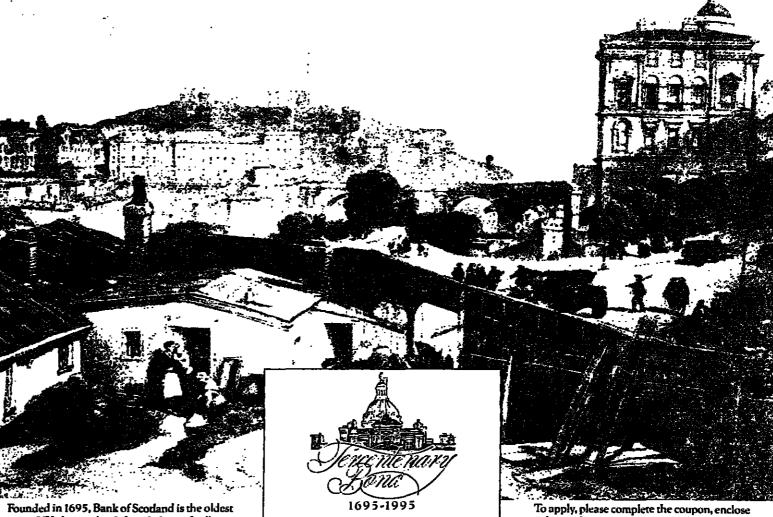
The court was told that Sheridan had climbed the vicarage stairs brandishing the spade and uttering a threat about the children. Peter Ader, for the prosecution, said that, on the night of the attack, the vicar had been out on church business. Sheridan had advanced on the woman carrying a spade, which he had held up in a menacing fashion, and had then raped her. Mr Ader said: "She showed remarkable presence of mind. She knew the longer she prolonged the assault the less chance of him going into her daughters' bedroom and attacking them."

The court was told that money, but, when he found she had only coppers, had become angry and raped her

The vicar had arrived home and he and Sheridan had tumbled downstairs in a struggle. However, the vicar had held the intruder until police

arrived. The court was told that Sheridan, of south London, an unemployed plasterer who was married with two children, had been drinking. He admitted rape, but denied indecent assault and two counts of aggravated burglary. The offences were ordered to lie on the court file.

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Paper to become a tabloid By MELINDA WITTSTOCK

MAIN shareholders of The Sunday Correspondent have given Peter Cole, the editor, approval for transforming the loss-making broadsheet into Britain's first "quality tabloid" national newspaper.

been nicknamed by Correspondent journalists, will arrive at newsagents in mid-autumn after "an eloquent and exuberant promotion" aimed at countering the widely-held perception that tabloids must necessarily be downmarket.

has been losing about £1 million a month since it raised £7 million last March, needs to reach a circulation of 375,000 to 400,000 to break even in the highly competitive Sunday market. Launched last September, the paper is selling just 165,000 copies a week.

today.

The "qualoid", as it has

Nick Shott, the Correspondent's chief executive, said that finance would be in place within a month. Shareholders including The Guardian and the Chicago Tribune group were now waiting for the paper to produce "an adequate costing proposal".

The Correspondent, which

Infected children pose HIV threat

agers infected with the Aids virus since birth may emerge in the next few years and could trigger the spread the disease among their contemporaries, American specialists say

The prediction is based on the case of a girl, aged 12, who is HIV positive but symptom free, having apparently had the infection since infancy. The evidence, reported in today's issue of The Lancet, dormant for much longer than had been suspected. The girl's abusers who are HIV-positive.

fected before or at birth.

ing for up to ten years. for up to ten years. vaccine can delay the onset of The documentation of Aids or related illnesses.

suggests that the virus can be dividuals at high risk of parents were intravenous drug treatment. Doctors believe she was in-Vertical transmission of the

virus from mother to child is weil-documented, and several thousand babies in America are believed to have been infected in this way. About 200 cases have been recorded in Britain. Studies have suggested that in such children the incubation time has

averaged under five years. Among adults, the infection

has been recorded as incubat-

By Thomson Prentice, science correspondent A GENERATION of tecuvertically transmitted HIV infection in a symptom-free

12-year-old girl suggests that vertically infected teenagers

will appear in the population and may be capable of transmitting HIV infection sexually themselves," the doctors from Houston and New York say. "To try to stem the spread of infection and prolong the disease-free interval in this group, it would be useful to encourage serological testing of symptom-free ininfection for the purpose of counselling and anti-viral

 The first experimental Aids vaccine to be tested on volunteers has shown promising early results, an international team of researchers reports in

The Lancet. Tests on patients with HIV in Zaire show that the vaccine appears to have strengthened the patients' natural defences against the disease. However, it does not seem to have given specific immunity against the virus. Further tests are planned with new HIV-pos-itive volunteers to see if the

Curb urged on low-spenders

By HARVEY ELLIOTT, AIR CORRESPONDENT

attractions are being swamped day out. "Each town, organiswith low spending day-trippers and European schoolchildren, leading to demands for tough new measures aimed at limiting the numbers of the wrong sort of tourists.

The English Tourist Board, which yesterday disclosed that the tourism industry earned £14.1 billion in England alone last year, is studying ways of better managing the tide of visitors during the peak summer months to such historic from people living in historic sites as Canterbury cathedral, Cambridge and Westminster abbey. This could be achieved either by enforcing a ticketonly rule for admission or by Italy who often descend in a forcing up prices to discourage noisy throng on a particular foreigners.

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ation or site is free to decide how they will cope with the hours and problem." William Davis, pounds. chairman of the English Tourist Board, said.

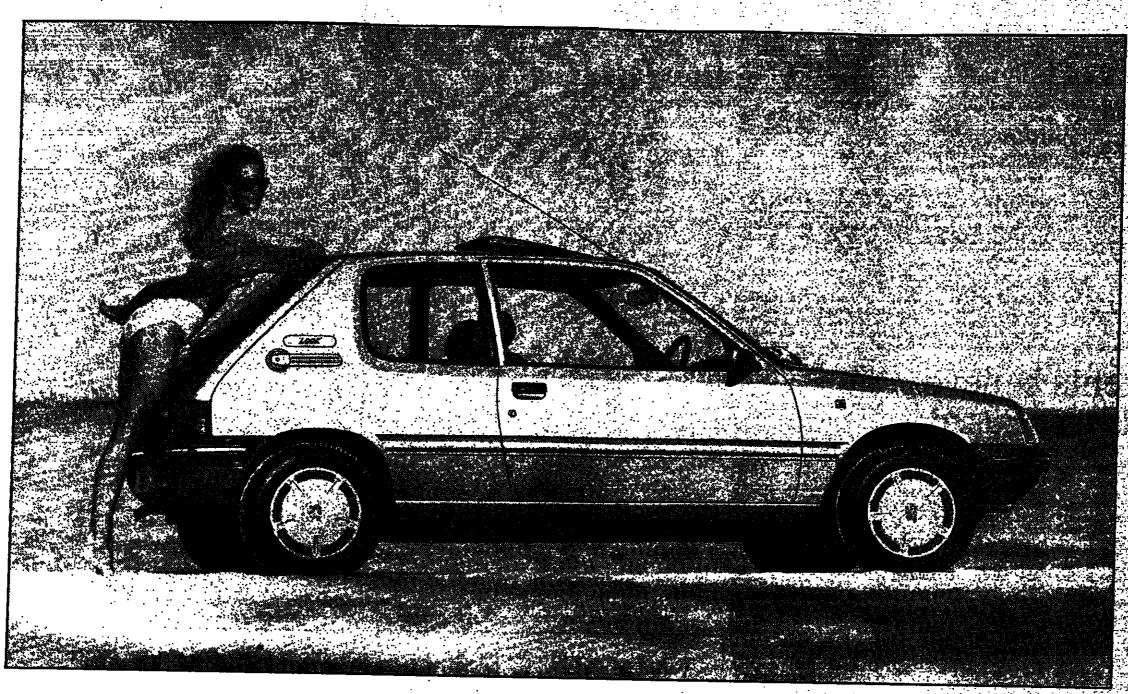
"We must recognise, however, that some parts of England have become too ple, who may stay for a whole successful and that it is vital for week," Mr Davis said. "Some the industry to look closely at the impact of tourism on the

One of the main complaints towns such as Canterbury is the large number of organised tours of children and students from France, Germany and

MANY of Britain's favourite those seeking only a low-cost monument on the same day. They also complain of British day-trippers visiting for a few hours and spending only a few

"This type of visitor spends about £11 a day compared with the hundreds which are spent by Americans, for example, who may stay for a whole places see the solution in increased prices for admission, rationing tickets or even in putting car parks well away from the main centres of attraction."

Of the £14 billion spent on tourism last year, £8 billion came from British visitors and just over £6 billion from



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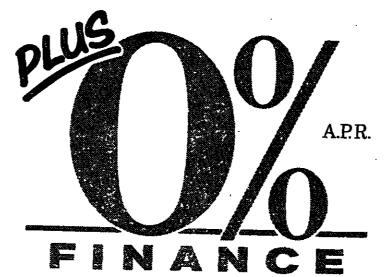
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Hospital long-term waiting lists are halved in shake-up

By JILL SHERMAN, SOCIAL SERVICES CORRESPONDENT

waiting more than a year for treatment, according to a re-port published yesterday.

The report from John Yates at the health services management centre in Birmingham, shows that in-patient waiting lists in the districts studied fell by 26,000 and the two years. Mr Nichol said that overall number of patients waiting more than a year fell from 54,657 to 34,509, a drop of 37 per cent. However, the numbers waiting more than 12 months in 43 specialties examined by Mr Yales fell by 49 per cent, from 29,580 to 15,000. Ten thousand addi-

tional patients were treated.

est waiting times.

National figures, an-nounced on Tuesday by Dun-can Nichol, NHS chief 220,000 people had already waited more than a year for operations and 82,000 patients had waited more than the times were unacceptable and had to be improved within 12 months. He said that Mr Yates's work proved this could be done.

The districts Mr Yates looked at shared 21 per cent of England's in-patient waiting lists and 29 per cent of the long wait patients (more than a In 1988, Mr Yates, who year). Mr Yates chose 43 heads the Inter-Authority specialities which were the Comparisons and Consultan-worst offenders and were

Community care delay costs £20m

SOME £20 million has been physically handicapped had spent on preparing for the probably suffered reductions community care reforms which were due to be implemented next April, but have now been postponed, the Association of Directors of Social Services said yesterday (Jill Sherman writes).

Bob Lewis, the association's had spent more than £80,000 on management consultancy fees, staff development and training and seconded appointments. "If you then count care from the private and

He was confident that the sum could be extrapolated to day to urge her to rethink the the 200 local authorities in delay. England. "At least £20 million has been committed at the expense of other areas which divert money to more pressing badly needed funding," Mr areas such as roads and edu-Lewis said. Other services for cation, endangering the staged

unnecessarily, he said.

people who wanted money for adapting homes for the dis-abled and who were slightly resentful at money being used for what were no more than proposals. I will not be the honorary secretary said that only one who has to go back his department in Stockport and say Tm sorry, I made a

A lot of money has been spent on computer systems to organise the purchasing of in the capital costs of the new voluntary sectors, which has information systems we have spent more than £100,000,"
Mr Lewis said.

now been delayed for two years. The association is to meet Virginia Bottomley, the meet Virginia Bottomley, the health minister, next Thurs-

Social services departments fear that councils will now children, the elderly and the community care programme.

Huntsman Over-55s accused of outspend the rest

THE master of a hunt headbutted a businessman who tion could hold the key to refused to allow them to cross his land on Boxing Day last year, Truro magistrates were told vesterday.

Geoffrey Thomas, aged 35, of Redruth, Cornwall, pleaded not guilty to assaulting John Weavers and causing him actual bodily harm, damaging two cars and using threatening behaviour.

violence

The Cury Hunt was stopped by Mr Weavers outside his cottage at Coverack Bridges, Cornwall. The court was told that Mr Weavers stood in front of more than 20 horses and refused to let them pass.

Mr Thomas said that it was his intention to take the hunt through a gully behind Mr Weavers' cottage. The hunt had followed the same route for generations.

Mr Thomas is said to have got into a car blocking the hunt's path and let off the brake so that it rolled into another car. He was also said to have made threats against one of Mr Weavers' daughters. The case continues today.

BRITAIN'S over-55 populaending the consumer spending (David Young writes).

The survey by the market International has found that people in that age bracket account for £1 in every £3 spent by consumers. Signal says that they spend because they want to, not to meet commitments, and that they do not have the debt burden of people aged from 20 to the

early 40s. Researchers found that the top 10 per cent of the over 55s. about 1.5 million people spend £28 billion (9 per cent) of the total amount spent annually in Britain, which is more than any other group. More than half of them own their own homes outright and many will soon have their disposable income and wealth boosted through inheritance and improved non-state pension benefits. Over 55s. The Invisible Consumer (Signal International. £1,000)

Prince calls for enterprise funds

By CHARLES KNEVITT, ARCHITECTURE CORRESPONDENT

THE Prince of Wales yester- exchange of personnel on a day urged financial institut- long-term basis. ions to help fund community ojects for training schemes for local entrepreneurs.

The prince, in a speech shown on videotape at the awards ceremony in London of the fifth annual community enterprise scheme sponsored by *The Times*, the Royal Institute of British Architects and Business in the Community, also welcomed an initiative to link community award winners in Britain with those in other parts of Europe.

newspaper had launched an a local initiatives support corinitiative that would twin poration that had raised \$300 community projects in the United Kingdom with projects in Hungary and, eventually, with projects in other European countries. The just 1 per cent of their assets to initiative is supported by the such a strategy." Know-How Fund run by the Eight out of ten people Foreign Office, and will enable share the views of the Prince a delegation from Hungary to of Wales on the lamentable meet the prince and this year's state of modern architecture,

creation of a European network of community en-trepreneurs who could learn wanted the public to have a from us, and we from them. greater say in urban planning They could visit the best we have to offer, perhaps twinning their ventures with oth- traffic and litter, and more ers. There could be an parks.

He also urged banks, build-

ing societies, insurance and pension funds to help find a novel solution to the seemingly intractable problem of funding for the projects.

Could they not lend us one or two of their brightest executives so that, together, we can give these award winners a more promising future?"

The prince said that local authorities had shown the way through developing socially responsive investment for Simon Jenkins, editor of their pension funds, while America had done so through million for such projects. "Imagine what we could achieve if the top ten private sector institutions allocated

according to a survey on The prince suggested the British design. Most of the 1,000 adults questioned for the National Power survey They wanted more street lighting, safer pedestrian areas, less

A £5 million initiative to cy, was commissioned by the responsible for half the long health department to look at waits in the districts. "In our in 22 health districts has the 22 districts with the long- experience. false figures, underfunding of specialities within health authorities and inefficiency were the reasons that so many patients waited executive, showed that so long for treatment" the

The dramatic reduction was achieved by reorganising schedules, setting targets for the number of operations, removing "ghost patients" from lists, employing more staff, and using resources more cost effectively. Mr Yates denied that the operations had been achieved because of the extra

"The 22 districts simply received their share of the £30 million funded centrally. In the remaining 168 health authorities, lists show no sign of reducing. Indeed, between December 1988 and December 1989 there was a small increase," he said. Mr Yates has now been

asked to tackle the next worst 100 districts. The government determined to show a reduction in waiting times nationally by the end of 1992 which it can then attribute to the success of NHS reforms. "I will have to face those • A year of healthy living might help millions of patients with coronary heart disease to get rid of the fat clogging their arteries, according to an American study published in The Lancet yesterday. It suggests that the symptoms of even severe coronary artery disease can be reversed within 12 months by moderate exercise, a careful diet and stopping smoking.



Egg salmonella fear as woman dies in hospital

at a hospital for the mentally Cardiff. handicapped as fears grow over an unexpected rise in the number of cases of one viru-lent form throughout the country in the past few weeks.

Officials from the health department and the agriculture ministry have met farmers' leaders and representatives of egg and poultry producers to discuss the rise in the number of cases of salmonella enteritiis phage type 4.

Figures released yesterday by the Public Health Laboratory Service show the incidence of cases up by 18 per cent in the first six months of this year compared to the same period last year. The greatest part of the increase to 4,837 cases has been in recent weeks as earlier figures for the first quarter of the year showed a drop of 3 per cent.

Records kept by the Comminicable Diseases Surveillance Centre show a rise of 74 per cent in the past six weeks of cases caused by the PT4 type which is linked to eggs and poultry. The rise is of particular concern as experts had been expecting a fall after safeguards introduced by the government.

The woman who died was one of 77 residents and six staff who contracted the illness at Ely Hospital, Cardiff, in the past nine days. Since the death of Mary Haynes, aged 52, the hospital has been closed to visitors and new admissions.

Those suffering from the illness are being treated in an her 30s whose condition was salmonella.

A WOMAN patient has died more serious was transferred of salmonella food poisoning to University Hospital.

A man aged 75, transferred to Sully Hospital, Barry, was last night described as stable but poorly. Miss Haynes died from bronchial pneumonia.

An inquest is to be held. Food samples from Ely Hospital have been analysed at public health laboratories and the source of the infection is believed to have been a raw egg used as a binding agent, although no eggs from the batch were left for testing.

Environmental health officials believe the worst of the outbreak at the 300-patient hospital is over and there are unlikely to be any new cases.

The health department yesterday warned people to store and prepare food correctly, particulary in the present hot spell. Further measures governing the temperatures at which foods are kept during storage, distribution and retail are being phased in. Some fluctuations in figures was expected, the department said. There is no cause for alarm."

Keith Pulman, secretary of the UK Egg Producers' Association, representing 650 small farmers, said: "We said it was not eggs that were to blame and now they have slaughtered all the birds and still the figures go up. The government has wasted two years blaming eggs while it should have been looking for the real cause."

David Clark, Labour spokesman on agriculture, called for imported eggs to be tested at ports of entry to isolation ward. One woman in ensure that they were free of

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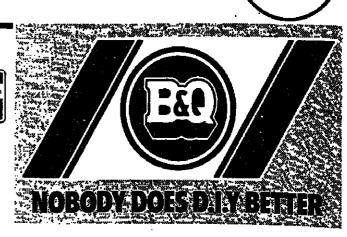
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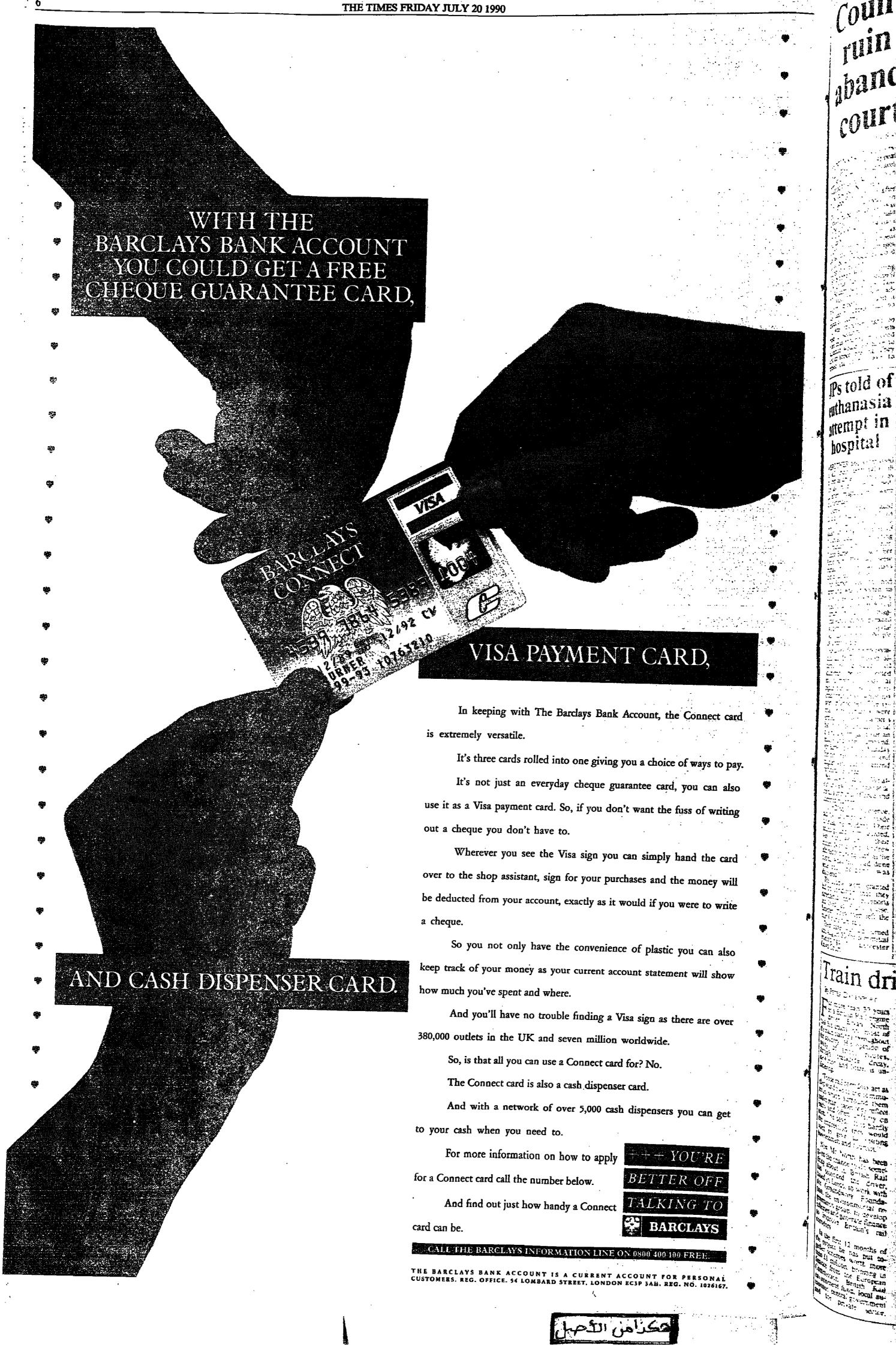
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COUNT Nikolai Tolstoy yesterday gave up his appeal against £1.5 million damages awarded to Lord Aldington in a libel case last November. He faces financial ruin after

and deposit it in court as security for costs, his appeal against the record damages should be dismissed at Lord Aldington's request.

Sir Stephen Brown, sitting with Lords Justices Russell and Beldam, said Count Tolstoy was, on his own admission, impecunious and it was clear his appeal had no chance of success.

make a security for costs order, thus ensuring that Lord Aldington would not have to fund an appeal hearing. They refused the count leave to

JPs told of euthanasia attempt in hospital

A BROTHER and sister tried to kill their terminally ill mother as an act of mercy as she lay in a hospital bed, Leicester magistrates were told yesterday.

Andrew Thompson, aged 25, a hotel manager, and his sister Nicola, aged 21, a student and single mother of two, are accused of attempting to murder their mother, Pauline Barber, to spare her further pain. The two were charged on July 5, two days after the alleged offence.

Mrs Barber, aged 58, had cancer and was expected to live only a few days when they visited her at Leicester Royal Infirmary on July 3, magistrates were told. She pleaded with them from her hospital bed: "Please let me die. People have a right to die."

Sue Lawley, for the prosecu-tion, said Mr Thompson althe dosage of diamorphine being injected into his mother's body at regular intervals by a motsister comforted her. The syringe's entire contents were emptied into Mrs Barber's body in one potentially fatal dose, but doctors gave her an antidote and she survived. Mrs Barber died on Sunday from her illness. Her son and daughter were due to attend her funeral yesterday. Miss Lawley said: "What-

ever our views on euthanasia. it is still a criminal offence and attempted murder."

Oliver D'Sa, for the defence, said: "No attempt was made to conceal the incident. Their actions, guided or misguided, were for the welfare of their mother. Nicola and Andrew admitted to nursing staff at the hospital what they had done once the incident was discovered. The couple were granted

bail on condition that they surrendered their passports and lived at Pluto Close, Leicester. They then left the court for the funeral. Their case was adjourned

until August 30 for committal proceedings to Leicester

appeal to the House of Lords and ordered him to pay the hearing costs estimated at £22,000. Count Tolstoy said:
"I cannot possibly raise that He faces financial ruin after the Court of Appeal in London ruled yesterday that unless Count Tolstoy could find £124,900 within 14 days and deposit it in court as a face our house. The court as a face our house.

The count, aged 55, of Abingdon, Oxfordshire, said that he had no regrets about writing a pamphlet in which he alleged that Lord Aldington arranged the forced repatriation of 70,000 Cossacks and anti-Tito Yugoslavs, many of whom were subsequently massacred, when he was serving as Brigadier General Staff in the Eighth Army V Corps in It was therefore right to southern Austria at the close of the second world war. Lord Aldington, a former

Conservative party deputy chairman, aged 76, of Aldington, Kent, said later he was relieved the case was now nearing its end. "This will be the first August since 1986 when I have not had this hanging over me." He said that he would be discussing with his solicitor what his next move would be to recover costs and damages.

Count Tolstoy said he would not go bankrupt voluntarily. "I will be bankrupt, but not voluntarily. I shall wait for Lord Aldington to issue proceedings. I don't worry so much for myself as for my family," he said.

Earlier this year Count Tolstoy rejected an offer from Lord Aldington to forego all but £300,000 of the damages if the count withdrew his appeal. At the bearing, an appeal by Lord Aldington against a decision by Mr Registrar Adams that Count Tolstoy need not pay money into court as a security, Count Tolstoy argued against a security for costs order. He claimed that the summing-up by the trial judge, Mr Justice Michael Davies, had been unfair and unbalanced and the judge had encouraged the jury to award

Lord Justice Beldam said the fact that the count had failed to convince the jury of the charges against Lord Aldington was amply demonstrated by its unprecedented and enormous award of £1.5 million. It was as of the count's conduct as could possibly be imagined."

It was also clear that, having the best of his ability during six and a half days in the witness box the complex events of May 1945 in which he took part, the jury was "determined to demonstrate its satisfaction that he played no part in and bore no responsibility for this shameful episode of history". Sir Stephen said he did not

consider that the criticisms of the trial judge were justified. He had dealt with all the matters "fully and fairly" and his direction on damages was "impeccable". Lord Justice Russell said:

"Count Tolstoy has fought this case and he has lost because the jury found against him. He should now accept it. If he cannot accept it, he should at least acknowledge that it was a verdict the jury was entitled to reach. The libel remains as serious a libel as it is possible to imagine. Justice demands that Count Tolstoy should provide security."



Teachers demand primary test delay

By DAVID TYTLER **EDUCATION EDITOR**

TWO main teacher unions will today demand that compulsory testing of pupils aged seven is either withdrawn or postponed for a year because of the extra work required by teachers.

John MacGregor, the education secretary, has said that to reduce the burden on teachers, children at seven and eleven need only be tested in mathematics, English and science, and not all ten National Curriculum subjects as originally planned.

Mr MacGregor is deter-mined to introduce the tests in all 20,000 primary schools in England and Wales next spring but is looking at ways of slimming down the pilot tests that were carried out in 400 primary schools at Easter using three different systems. Heads and teachers complained that they were too complicated and distressed pupils, parents and staff. Some heads and teachers have said that they would be pre-

pared to break the law and

refuse to carry out the stan-

dard assessment tasks

Mistresses Association is asking Mr MacGregor to delay the introduction of testing for heard Lord Aldington recall to a further year. The association says pilot tests have shown the administration of the tasks to be onerous and unmanage able. Doug McAvoy, of the National Union of Teachers, has also urged Mr MacGregor to withdraw the tests, saying that they damaged the edu-cation of the children taking the tests and others in the school who were not.

The education department said last night: "The outcome of the pilots is being evaluated and the lessons of that evaluation will be taken on board in developing the tests for 1991."

 Girls are more concerned than boys in improving their education, a report published carried out by local authority careers officers, which looked at 621,000 pupils aged 16 in England and Wales, found that 48 per cent stayed in fulltime education, made up of 52.4 per cent girls and 41.7 per

Blake escape pair win first round By Frances GIBB, LEGAL AFFAIRS CORRESPONDENT

fighting to avoid what they would be wrong for them to be claim would be an oppressive prosecuted such a long time trial for their roles in helping the double agent George Blake escape from prison 24 years ago won important test case rulings in the High Court yesterday.

In the face of objections from the Director of Public Prosecutions, the court held that it had power to hear an application by Patrick Pottle and Michael Randle for their criminal trial to be stopped. They argue that this should be done on the ground that after such a long delay, the prosecu-tion would be oppressive and an abuse of the process of the COUITL

The court will hear legal argument next week on whether the trial, due to take place at the Central Criminal Court, should be allowed to go Defence lawyers indicated

that they may apply to the court for Rollo Watts, the Special Branch chief inspector then in charge of the investigation into the Blake escape and now retired, to give evidence. The ruling has implications

for delays in the criminal House of Lords against the justice system. It confirms court's ruling on jurisdiction that the High Court has a but he was not last night ower of review over a crown court where it decides to let proceed a prosecution that is arguably stale because of the delay in bringing it to trial. Richard Gordon, a barrister

who specialises in judicial review, said: "This decision is surprising. Nobody doubted that the High Court had this power in relation to magistrates' courts where abuse of process was alleged; and we have already had a spate of cases on this. What we will now see is a spate of cases. reviewing decisions of crown court judges in such cases. '

In a second important ruling for the two campaigners vesterday, Lord Justice Watkins and Mr Justice
Hutchison also overturned a
blanket ban by David
Waddington, the home secretary, which stopped the disclosure to them of police documents about the case.

Lord Justice Watkins ordered disclosure to their lawyers of the March 1970 report prepared by Mr Watts. Mr Pottle, aged 51, a retired London antiques dealer, and

Mr Randle, a university lec-

peace campaigners turer, aged 56, say that it prosecuted such a long time after Blake's escape from

Wormwood Scrubs in October

1966, especially as the police

had evidence to bring charges

against them nearly 20 years

Lord Justice Watkins said the court would give reasons

later for its ruling, which has wide-ranging implications.

that it has jurisdiction to

review a crown court decision

in this case the ruling by a

judge at the Central Criminal

Court that the pair should

stand trial] when it was alleged

that a trial could amount to an

He ordered that circulation

of Mr Watts' report should be

confined to Mr Pottle, of

Northview Road, Crouch End, north London, and Mr Randle, of Hollingwood Lane, Bradford, west Yorkshire, and

their lawyers and should only be used for the present

Philip Havers, counsel for

the home secretary, who had

opposed disclosure of the

documents, said that there

might be an appeal to the

House of Lords against the

giving notice of any appeal on

the disclosure point.

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vesterday.

Mr Dyer, launching the AA's voluntary code of practice for reducing dangerous exhaust emissions, called on motorists to think hard about the way they used their vehicles and to use alternatives where possible. He said it was possible to strike a balance between concern for the environment and increased vehicle ownership, providing motorists learned to drive in a manner that was more socially acceptable.
Acknowledging that motor-

ists were responsible for a greenhouse gases believed to writes). Measures designed to contribute to global warming, Mr Dyer said: "The most direct way to help the environment is to burn less fuel." As part of a campaign

backed by David Trippier, the

Drivers urged to combat pollution

By MICHAEL DYNES, TRANSPORT CORRESPONDENT

thoughtfully if their contribution to atmospheric pollution is to be reduced, Simon Dyer, director general of the Automobile Association (AA) said

environment minister, and Roger Freeman, the transport minister, the AA director general called on motorists to use their cars only when necessary, share journeys, adhere to speed limits, convert to unleaded petrol and install and £3,859 in Belgium.

MOTORISTS must learn to autocatalysts. Long-term soluse their vehicles more utions entailed a choice between reduced vehicle ownership and usage, and technological solutions to vehicle "The former would be to-

tally unacceptable to the majority of the population," Mr Dyer said. Vehicle manufacturers had to give greater priority to developing cleaner. more fuel-efficient cars. The government had to press ahead with the road-building programme to reduce congestion and consequent pollution, and introduce financial incentives to encourage people to use public transport. Britain's protectionist trade policies add around 20 per cent to the cost of a Japanese car, the National Consumer Council claims in a report growing proportion of the published today (Lin Jenkins protect the European motor

industry push up prices and

reduce choice available to

consumers and should be abolished in 1992 to create a common market for cars. A recent study found that UK pre-tax car prices were 61 per cent higher than those in Denmark and 31 per cent higher than prices in Belgium. A Fiat Uno 60S cost £5,177 in

Student held by Dutch in

A Dutch student, aged 19, has been detained on suspicion of aiding IRA gunmen who killed two Australian tourists in May, police in the Dutch town of Roermond said yesterday. The woman was believed to have rented a gunmen, according to a police statement Police said they had also

found a template in her apartment in Amstelveen, a suburb of Amsterdam, which they believe was used to make 2 bogus number plate for a car used by the gummen, the statement said. Police appre-hended the woman at a Dutch-German border crossing about 16 miles from Roermond on Wednesday.

The suspect, identified by her initials IH, is believed to be the girl friend of an IRA suspect in custody and known only by an assumed name, Andrew Edward Thornton, the statement said. He is being

held in connection with the shooting of the Australians Nick Spanos and Stephen Melrose on May 27.

Libel damages

Ajitabh Bachchan, an Indian businessman and friend of Rajiv Gandhi, won substantial libel damages from the English edition of the Swedish paper Dagens Nyheter in the High Court over allegations of links with an arms deal

Driver remanded Simon Peter Russell, a van

driver aged 26, was remanded. in custody charged with possession of explosives and violent disorder after police raided his home at Southborough, near Tunbridge Wells. Matches blamed

Two young children died after

being trapped inside a car that had almost certainly been set on fire when one of them played with matches, a coroner said at Sale, Cheshire.

Footballer's win Paul Gascoigne, the England

footballer, won substantial libel damages in the High Court over a Sunday Mirror article alleging that he had "cheated on his girl friend" while on tour in Sweden.

Trust fund

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Train driver tackles the littered lines

By PETER DAVENPORT

or more than 30 years as a British Rail engine driver, Bryan North took his trains into most of the main stations throughout the country. His opinion of many of those routes, through trackside decay, dereliction and litter, is un-"Those rail corridors act as

shop windows to the communities which surround them and in many cases they reflect badly and often unfairly on them," he says. "It is hardly the impression they would want to give to visiting businessmen and tourists." Now Mr North has been

given the chance to do something about it. British Rail has seconded the driver, based in Leeds, to work with the Groundwork Foundation, the environmental regeneration group, to develop schemes and generate finance to improve Britain's rail corridors.

In the first 12 months of the project he has put together schemes worth more than fl million, bringing in finance from the European Commission British Rail environment fund, local authorities, central government and the private sector.

carriage window at Leeds city station, in Wakefield, Durham, along the coastal route from Darlington to Newcastle upon Tyne, via Hartlepool and Sunderland, on the Liverpool-Southport line.

Further schemes are under consideration for Manchester and on the Settle-Cartisle route. It is intended that others will follow. Derelict buildings are being improved, litter removed and sections of track landscaped. Mr North, a Labour coun-

cillor in Leeds for the past 11



Mr North: Success has

Projects are under way to years and former chairman of improve the view from the the city's planning and urban development committees, can be persuasive in encouraging a broad spectrum of involvement in his

In one project to clear such litter as abandoned mat-tresses, prams and bicycles from the side of the York-to-Leeds line near Garforth he arranged for the probation service to provide 50 men sentenced to community service to spend four Sundays removing the debris.

In some of the areas projects were already under way before Mr North's appointment but he has been able to bring in extra finance and ideas to enlarge the schemes. British Rail carries out improvement to property it owns but much of the land and buildings alongside lines is privately owned and the intention is to involve owners in projects. Leeds city station,

British Rail planned to extend its Inter-City car park and included a £77,000 landscaping scheme as part of the project. With Mr North's involvement the party of ten local authorities providing attractive locations and the Tyne and Wear for new industries."

passenger transport authority to develop improvement

own environmental improvement schemes in towns and cities. The foundation receives funds from central government, the Countryside Commission, the European

Commission, through industrial sponsorship and by selling its consultancy services. It has completed more than 3,000 environmental projects in the past five years, working 50 local authorities.

enal but it is not going to be a iob completed in a short time. It will take years. But there are no political obstacles

schemes on the coastal route between Darlington and The Groundwork Founda

tion was set up in Birming-ham in 1985 as the beadquarters for the Groundwork trusts, which initiate their

with 3,000 organisations and Mr North said: "The success so far has been phenom-

because the end result is desired by everybody, those living near the tracks as well as those travelling on the trains. In the end, environmental improvement along fund for landscaping has the lines can lead to the risen to £287,000. Mr North creation of new jobs by the lines can lead to the is also chairing a working encouraging tourism and



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Second chance on pub tenants

The government is to be given another chance to redeem its pledge to protect brewery tenants who may face eviction. Lord Williams of Elvel. Opposition spokesman on trade and industry, introduced a bill to give protection to tenants after the government's apology for fail-ing to do so despite the undertaking it had given.

The bill will come up for Monday and the Opposition is confident that the government will accept it because it makes good a promise made by Lord promise made by Lord Trefgarne, minister for trade.

The doubt is whether the Commons will be pre-pared to find time for the bill. Labour managers in the Lords say that Labour MPs would pass it swiftly.

Rear-seat rule nearer

The wearing of rear seat belts in cars may become mandatory. MPs were told in a written reply. Roberts Atkins, roads and traffic minister, said that 307 rear-seat passangers who were not wearing belts were killed in 1988 and nearly 4,000 seriously injured. Research in dicated that two-thirds of those casualties could have been saved by the wearing

Now that most cars had rear belts, the time was approaching when it would be reasonable to consider the introduction of mandatory wearing by adults.

Rail move

The Railway Inspectorate is to be transferred in the aulumn to the Health and Safety Executive, Cecil Parkinson, transport sec-retary, said in a written reply.

Parliament next week

The main business in the House of Commons next week is expected to be: Monday: Motion for the summer recess and consoli dated fund bill debates on a variety of topics. Tuesday: Debate on Opposition motion on the

economy. Wednesday: Courts and Legal Services bill, remaining. stages. Thursday: Summer recess

The main business in the House of Lords is expected to be: Mouday: British Nationality (Hong Kong) bill and Landlord and tenant (Li-

censed Premises) bill, third readings. Employment Tuesday, Wednesday and

committee continued.

Parliament today Commons (9.30): Debate on private member's motion on promoting good health. Lords (11): Finance bill, all

Hopes fading for early success of **Brooke talks**

By RICHARD FORD, POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

N IRELAND

the autumn on devolution in Northern Ireland.

Mr Brooke has held lengthy discussions with Irish govern-ment ministers to overcome difficulties that had led them to block his plan to announce details of his initiative two weeks ago.

He told MPs yesterday that he believed that the differences had narrowed, but he admitted there was still a gap.

The stumbling block remains the precise moment when the irish government will become involved in a three-tier structure of talks involving the constitu-tional parties in the North, links between between the North and South and relations between London and Dublin.

A new proposal to overcome the difficulty raised by the Irish government's role in the talks is believed to have been submitted to Mr Brooke by the Social Democratic and Labour party. It focuses on the timing and nature of so-called "North-South" negotiations and was worked out by party officials after meetings with ministers in

Although no details of the SDLP plan are available and no meetings have been scheduled by Mr Brooke to discuss it with Unionists, SDLP sources describe it as an attempt to address. the concerns of all parties to the

Mr Brooke had intended to make a full statement to the Commons before the summer recess which begins next Thurs-

day, but last night that prospect appeared to be fading. In the HOPES are fading that Peter Brooke will be able to announce to Partiament next week that he has reached agreement on a framework for talks in the autumn on doubt. that a parliamentary deadline should be imposed. In private, all parties are positioning themselves in readi-ness to apportion blame if the

initiative fails. However, in the Commons nationalist and Unionist politicians held back from pointing the accusatory linger. Mr Brooke praised the re-straint shown by all constitu-

tional parties in the North during the past two weeks. He said that a large measure of agreement had been reached about the various preliminary points of principle and also about the structure, format and timing any talks might have. "It is of course for the other

potential participants in these talks to assess the best interests of those they represent. But, given the potential benefits of political dialogue, my own judgment is that, with continuing good will, the outstanding matters which divide them could be proceed on their rolls could be resolved so that talks could be

"I am ready to continue my efforts to facilitate the process, but such an announcement clearly cannot yet be made."

Unionist politicians are in-creasingly pessimistic about the chances of Mr Brooke's being able to overcome the existing difficulties and they say that it is the Irish government and the SDLP that are blocking movement on a possible way forward. One leading Unionist said: "If this process breaks down, our hands will be clean. It will not be



Peter Brooke, who said a gap remained

ons, Ivor Stanbrook (Orpington. C) said that honest negotiations had been doomed the moment Charles Haughey (the Irish prime minister) insisted that the republic should be consulted at every stage of the

Mr Brooke told him that the involvement of the Irish govern-ment in internal talks had not been an issue. Dublin acknowledged that it would not be directly involved in any interparty talks about internal arrangements for the government of Northern Ireland. "But there was general recognition that any comprehensive poltical accommodation must emerge from a process of di-alogue involving all main con-stitutional parties in Northern Ireland and the British and Irish governments."

David Alton (Liverpool, Mos-sley Hill, Lib Dem) said that sooner or later a decision would At question time in the Com- have to be made that those who

used the strategy of the Armalite and the bomb in one hand and the ballot box in the other must forgo the right to stand for election to Parliament.

Mr Brooke said that he kept the question of proscription of organisations constantly under

Barry Porter (Wirral South, C) said Mr Brooke should cease the pretence that the Anglo-Irish agreement had achieved any of its fundamental aims. It had not. He wished Mr Brooke success in his discussions, but there was no reason to blame there was no reason to main those MPs who represented the Unionist cause, who had shown good will towards reaching some agreement. "Let us put the blame, if these talks fail, where it lies - on Dublin."

Mr Brooke said that the talks he was engaged in were likely to make more progress if they concentrated on looking for-

Thatcher accused of ratting on pledge

PRIME MINISTER

MARGARET Thatcher was accused of "ratting" on her prom-ise on payments for care in the community during a question-time exchange with Neil Kin-nock, leader of the Opposition.

The prime minister replied by comparing Labour's record with that of the present government and saying that, while Labour talked, the government acted, and that certain aspects of the community care programme.

and that certain aspects of the community care programme were going ahead.

Mr Kinnock said the concern about the family that Mrs Thatcher expressed in her speech on Wednesday would be widely shared and was praise-worthy. "Given that concern, con the tell we what the thinks can she tell us what she thinks most damages families: the highest mortgages in history; the poll tax; the freeze of child benefit or abandonment of

community care?"
Mrs Thatcher said that the greatest material support the government could give families was to keep the economy going, producing the highest number of jobs in the country's history; the highest standard of living, the best social services and then to give particular support to loneparent families.

Mr Kinnock: That reply shows the unbridgeable gap between what she says is her concern for the family and what

she is prepared to do about it.

It was announced vesterday
that the government is ratting
on its pledge to provide help for
people who care for elderly and disabled people at home and for some of the most needy and certainly some of the most deserving people in the whole

Mrs Thatcher: Local authori-ties are spending half as much again on personal social services over and above inflation than in 1979: a total of 32 per cent on day care; 26 per cent on home helps and 13 per cent on meals services for disabled and elderly people in residential and nursing homes; and for every £1 that Labour spent we are spending £100. They talk. We deliver the

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Prime minister getting ready for manifesto

By ROBIN OAKLEY, POLITICAL EDITOR

meeting each to set up a policy group attached to his department to begin preparing ideas the deputy prime miniment to begin preparing ideas cess have been thwarted. for the election manifesto. The groups will be set up in the autumn and will be expected to complete their work by early next year.

next year.

The prime minister was not intending to put her MPs on a war footing, but she wishes to keep open the option of an election next summer, despite the expectation of Kenneth Baker, the party chairman, that the contest will be in 1992. If the policy making process had been started any later, it would have been too late for detailed plans to be ready for a manifesto next to be ready for a manifesto next

Giving her traditional address to Conservative MPs at last night's end-of-term meeting of the backbench 1922 committee, Mrs Thatcher said that the ministers would be co-opting
MPs, notably chairmen and
officers of specialist backbench
committees, for the policy
groups. Ministers have been asked to think about who should join the advisory teams and to report to Downing Street in the

Mrs Thatcher will take charge

MARGARET Thatcher raised appeal, chairing the manifesto the political tempo by asking her committee herself. But efforts ministers at yesterday's cabinet by some to exclude Sir Geoffrey by some to exclude Sir Geoffrey Howe, the deputy prime min-

Sir Geoffrey, who was also confirmed yesterday as the chairman of the "star chamber", should that body be required to adjudicate in spending disputes between the Treasury and other ministries, is to be the deputy

chairman of the policy group. Final membership will not be settled until the autumn, but will definitely include John Major, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Douglas Hurd, the foreign secretary, Kenneth Baker, David Waddington, the home secretary, and John Wakeham, the energy secretary.

The secretariat of the manifesto committee will be provided in Downing Street by Robin Harris, the former director of the Conservative research department now in the policy unit, and by John Whittingdale, the prime minister's political

Mrs Thatcher has been inviting in groups of backbenchers over the past few months for general policy discussions and she has in recent weeks entertained most of the Conser-vative-inclined think tanks such of shaping the party's electoral as the Centre for Policy Studies.

Year's takeover ban

under their new franchises in 1993. Earl Ferrers, the Home Office minister, stuck to the government's proposal that the moratorium on takeovers, enabling the new companies to avoid immediate takeover bids, should be for only 12 months. despite the demands of Labour and the Liberal Democrats for at least two years.

The minister was defending the government's moratorium proposals during the committee stage of the Broadcasting bill in

Dixons

PSION-THE COMPUTER

TAKEOVERS are to be banned discipline, but that did not mean for only a year after television there would be a free-for-all. If companies begin broadcasting there were takeovers after the moratorium, the new owners would still be subject to the oversight of the Independent

Television Commission.

Although the ban on takeovers would be for a year from
the moment broadcasting began
in 1993, it would really take
effect from the issue of the
licences up to a year before, so
that the new compension would that the new companies would

have two years to prepare. Lady Birk, Labour spokes man on broadcasting, said the Opposition was grateful for the the Lords. concession, but it would be He said the prospect of takeovers was an important market additional year.

Britain 'marginalised on EC'

By Our Political Correspondent

SIR Leon Brittan implicitly criticised the prime minister last night for her attitudes towards sovereignty and the development of loss of more British sovereignty. It was a myth the European Community. Without mentioning Margaret Thatcher by name, he said that Britain was being marginalised by those who kept returning to the issue of sovereignty and

continued to misrepresent the community. In the wake of Nicholas Ridley's resignation from the government, Sir Leon told a meeting of the Bruges group that for some people the debate over Europe never seemed to move on.

Sir Leon, vice-president of the European Commission, said at the meeting in London: "Too often Britain is marginalised by those sovereignty and by those who perpetuate a caricature of what the community represents". People were perplexed by the mixed signals they received about the community and Britain risked being ignored because the rest of the EC was bored with such attitudes.

He made no reference to Mrs Thatcher in

that national honour required Britain to take a vow of legislative chastity, Sir Leon said.

There had been a sincere but misguided tendency to parade and legitimise the status quo under the colours of national sovereignty, but sovereignty should not be considered a theoretical or constitutional absolute. It was a practical concept.

the British who have become doctrinaire ... Westminster sometimes seems less interested can preserve the illusion of omnipotence and

contradiction of her concern at the possible loss of more British sovereignty. It was a myth

members from each of the 12 national parliaments, to provide a link between the council of ministers and the member states.

Sir Leon added: "We pride ourselves, after all, on our pragmatism. Yet, all too often, it is

questions of concern to Britain than in how it the trappings of power." He outlined a proposal for a committee, of

Hard-left purge is welcomed

By RONALD FAUX

THE Labour leader of Liverpool
City Council yesterday welcomed the prospect of a new party lines on most important purge of hard-left councillors by the Labour party national

Commenting on speculation that a further 14 Labour councillors in Liverpool are to be suspended as well as the city's district Labour party and its women's council, Harry Rimmer said: "Disciplinary action is necessary and I believe there will be further suspensions. It is sad that this council is once sad that this council is once again the subject of an inquiry, but if the decision clears the air then it is to be welcomed." Fifteen Labour councillors of

a total of 67 are already suspended for defying the party whip when they voted against setting the poll tax.

The latest rebels voted against attempts by the council to balance the city's books with a

rise in council house rents which have remained frozen for several years.

Mr Rimmer, a Kinnock sup-porter, said it was doubtful that the divisions in the council

By OUR POLITICAL EDITOR

BRITISH Conservative mem-

Sir Christopher Prout, leader of the British Conservatives, and Mr John Stevens, Conser-vative MEP for Thames Valley,

gave evidence yesterday to the House of Lords select com-

But Eddie Loyden, MP for Garston and chairman of Liverpool district Labour party, accused bureaucrats of meddling in local democracy.

"We are supposed to be a democratic party", he said, "but the officers of the district party in Liverpool have not even been informed about this inquiry. It

informed about this inquiry. It seems this is yet another purge of supposed Militants and is a or supposed wantants and it is a public relations exercise by the leadership. People will inevitably wonder why the Labour party is seeking to punish councillors whose only crime is to oppose the poll tax and rent rises."

The supposition of 29 coun-

The suspension of 29 councillors from Liverpool's majority Labour group would mean that the city would remain in the control of the largest group of 38 moderate councillors who have have dished "propressives" been dubbed "progressives".

They could find themselves short of support when conten-tious issues such as rent rises

Labour prepares for Lords moves

A REVITALISED Labour front bench will be announced in the Lords this autumn giving Neil Kinnock the scope for appointning a group of about twenty ministers in a future Labour government with a first-class record in public life.

Lord Cledwyn of Penrhos, leader of the Labour peers, will reshuffle his spokesmen, weaving in new members and those who have returned to the Lords from other careers.

Among them are expected to be Lord Grenfell, who is returning to Britain from Washington this summer where he has been the World Bank's special ad-viser. Some front bench can-didates have been Commons ministers yet are young enough to serve again. Mr Kinnock is expected to call on Lord Cledwyn, the former agriculture minister now aged 73, to become leader of the Lords to give tability in a Labour admin stability in a Labour admin-istration's first year.

Britain's permanent repre-sentative to the United Nations in the Seventies, and a former defence minister, Lord Richard, who entered the upper House in councillor, will take over his the latest list of working peers, is father's seat.

minister. As a leading Labour lawyer, he is near the top of the shortlist for the woolsack in a Labour government. The other main candidate will be Lord Irvine of Lairg, a recorder.

Lord Clinton-Davis is also willing to return to ministerial office and is adding weight to the Labour benches on Euro-pean and environmental issues as a former EC commissioner.

The deputy leader of the Labour peers, Lord Williams of Elvel, is likely to stay as Labour's chief trade and industry spokesman. He has spent 20 years in the City. The former social services secretary, Lord Ennals, while continuing to be active in the Lords as chief health spokesman, at 67 is unlikely to want a lower ministerial post.

Lord Graham of Edmonton, a former Labour MP, has been elected chief whip after the death of the hereditary peer, Lord Ponsonby. Labour peers are hoping that Fred Ponsonby, aged 32, who is a Wandworth councillor, will take over his

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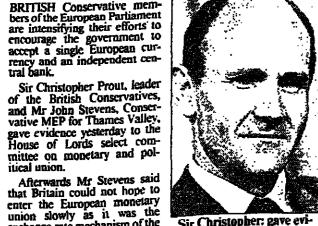
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mittee on monetary and pol-Afterwards Mr Stevens said that Britain could not hope to Sir Christopher: gave evi-

enter the European monetary union slowly as it was the exchange-rate mechanism of the European monetary system. If the rest of the Community decided on economic and monetary union and Britain refused to accept it, as ministers have suggested it would, then that would be tantamount to step-ping outside the EC and apply-ing for re-entry, he said. Mon-



dence to Lords committee etary union was a quantum leap in development of the EC, Mr Stevens said, and Britain had no serious option but to join. If serious option but to join. If dow of opportunity" would not Britain tried to operate in the last long. The Germans would second tier of a so-called twotier Europe, the consequences
union in five or six years' time

Tory MEPs press for single currency would be appalling. The status of the City of London as a financial centre would be under-on their own and their investmined, overseas investors ment was beginning to pay off. would be deterred from invest-ing in Britain and the compettiveness of industry would be

Mr Stevens and Sir Christopher argued that the impetus for economic and monetary union, which they believed was underestimated in Britain, derived from German unification. Mr Stevens said that other European pariners saw mone-

tary union, with a single cur-rency and an independent central bank, as a way of lessening the decisive role of the mark and of the Bundesbank. Germany was willing to go along with that because it wanted to spread across Europe the costs of developing the economies of East Germany and other East-ern European states. The "winMr Stevens said that it was

impossible to conceive of Britain operating a second tier membership of the EC, as Douglas Hurd, the Foreign Secretary, had suggested on Sunday that it might. With an open economy such as we had, a second tier was possible only if the economy was re-regulated and exchange controls were reimposed. The British Conservative

MEPs have rejected the hard ecu plan of John Major, the Chancellor of the Exchequer. Mr Stevens said that they did not believe in an expanded stage two of the Delors plan and in parallel currencies. But Mr Major's plan was an important contribution to the search for ways of exerting anti-infla-tionary financial discipline and preventing EC members over-borrowing by means of the market rather than through a supra-national authority.

Bulgaria risks new turmoil as Zhivkov seeks revenge

ensuring the country's political turmoil will increase by by inviting the country's for-mer dictator, Todor Zhivkov, to appear before it.

Two weeks ago, President Mladenov resigned following a damaging political scandal. By standing down before the opening of parliament, he left the country in a constitutional mess. Parliament has not elected a new president and the government has been

communist dictator will only make the situation worse. Mr Zhivkov ruled Bulgaria with an iron hand for 35 years. Last November he was toppled in an internal party coup and was arrested soon aferwards. On delay." If this and other points Wednesday, he was released as the authorites had failed to come up with credible case series of nationwide strikes.

Roumen Vodenicharov, a hu- sively as this country remains man rights activist and opposition MP, he is angry at the way he was treated by his

After his fall, Mr Zhivkov's communist party was re-named the Socialist party and went on to win last month's elections. However, the leadership remained largely intact, and a vengeful Mr Zhivkov threatens to destroy these

presidential

But the socialists face a greater risk than simply losing a few top figures. For Mr Zhivkov's threatened revelation could accelerate the

Mongolia vows to open up economy

IN ULAN BATOR

MONGOLIA'S Communist party, preparing to face the voters for the first time since seizing power 69 years ago, private property and may sell

Kinayat Zardykhan, the deputy prime minister, said that the reform process would move ahead after the country's first free elections on July 29, which the communists are widely expected to win.
"We must quickly adopt a

law on private property and open our economy to all foreign countries," he said. Mr Zardykhan, a key figure in the party's reform wing, said Mongolia would consider allowing foreign firms to take over ailing industries, and he also wanted to develop cooperative companies.

Mongolia at present has no private industry. It is still considered illegal under its communist system, which is the oldest after the Soviet Union. However, the government has recently issued permits for four private companies, and has approved 420 new co-operatives in re-

The communists, officially known as the Mongolian People's Revolutionary party, are expected to win the elections because of their organisation, support among nomadic hersdmen and a fragmented opposition. But, diplomats said, the communists now sounded less and less like

dent Cossiga meeting yesterday in Cour-

mayeur, Italy, to mark the 25th anniversary

of the Mont Blanc tunnel between France

and Italy. They hailed it as a symbol of a

Europe without barriers (writes AFP).

About 30 environmentalists demonstrated

against the increase in traffic through the tunnel and opposing another tunnel. M

DURING its first week in disintegration of a party alexistence, Bulgaria's new par- ready split between conserliament has succeeded in vatives and social democratically-inclined reformers.

Meanwhile, to the fury of the trade unions, the Zhivkov debate and the parliament's interminable constitutional wrangle have further delayed the crucial economic decisions that must be made. In the first six months of this year infla-tion and unemployment have begun shooting up, productivity is declining rapidly and many staple products have simply run out.

aralysed. There are queues for bread The invitation to the former and those seeking petrol may communist dictator will only have to wait for up to ten hours. The unions have issued a statement saying that they demand: "The formation of a working and competent government without any further Emilian Abadshiev, a union

But Mr Zhivkov is unrepentant, and, according to intention of watching pason the periphery of changes within Eastern Europe or its falling prey to inter-party strife and thus ending up in international isolation again."

According to one western diplomat, unless something is done quickly this is exactly what will happen to Bulgaria. He said: "Officialdom here is immensely naive. For example, they want Western aid but they don't understand that "Its a risk we have to face," they have to go and lobby for said Chavdar Kyurianov, the it. They think Western governments are simply going to come here and give them millions of dollars."

As if the political and economic problems were not urgent enough, Bulgarian nationalists have, in the past few days, paralysed local gov-ernment in the south eastern town of Kardzali by preventing access to all municipal buildings. They are protesting against the election by the one-million strong Turkish minority of their own MPs, who have duly token their who have duly taken their seats in parliament.

According to Kardzali's nationalists, the ethnic Turks' party, the Movement for Rights and Freedoms, is a "terrorist organisation". But its leader, Ahmed Dogan, made one of the most measured and conciliatory speaches when parliament opened. "We are all Bulgarians," he said, "we must all about his 31-year-old revolu-work together for the best tion, there was a resounding interest of our fatherland." So silence. His 10 million comfar his words have fallen on



Uniform protest: hundreds of East German policemen demonstrating in Berlin yesterday in a demand for improved working conditions

Vrangle over Berlin's Soviet arsenal

two Germanies are locked in a new tangle over military equipment supplied by Mos-cow to East Germany over years of close Warsaw Pact co-

With East Germany set to join Nato after unification, its forces have no further use for the hardware. The West German government wants to return to Moscow Soviet tanks, ships and aircraft after unification in December when East German forces will become part of the Bundeswehr.

The hardware includes new MiG-29 fighter-jets still awaiting delivery, as well as older combat aircraft such as Su-22s, Mig-23s and MiG-21s.

Eastern Europe beginning to

reach his own shores, Presi-

dent Castro decided that it

might be time to open up Cuba's tightly controlled com-

munist system a little, before

internal pressures started to

But when, in the spring, he

called on Cubans to tell him

candidly what they thought

THE Soviet Union and the the estimated DM 100 million (£33 million) cost of destroying it under the terms of the Conventional Forces in Europe treaty.

Chief Lieutenant Uwe Hempel, a spokesman for the East German Volksarmer, said yesterday that East Berlin had received assurances that Moscow would take back the equipment. The thorny question of who will meet the cost of destroying it is currently the subject of high-level negotiations. "It is a costly business,"

West German military commanders have told Helmut honour East German con-Kohl, the chancellor, that they are not prepared to operate Moscow is reluctant to take their US and European equip-

A range of topics was of-

fered for discussion at a series

of public meetings across the

island, including moving away from outmoded socialist

models copied from the crum-

bling Soviet bloc, opening the

Communist party of Cuba to

wider membership, promot-

ing a more critical press and

waging war on bureaucracy,

The party wanted to tap

trying again.

patriots seemed reluctant to public opinion in readiness for

discuss their opinion of their next year's congress, when

Cubans slow to speak their minds

SENSING the changes in leader's life's work. Now he is President Castro, aged 62, has for us to know what people

We have no use for Soviet equipment in our armed forces. We are not going to fly MiGs or train in T-72 tanks. They can have them back and we may even pay them for it," a high-ranking West German source was quoted as telling Jane's Defence Weekly. East Germany is thought to

have over 2,000 tanks, 800 artillery pieces and 380 combat aircraft. The cost of destroying a single T-72 tank, is estimated at DM 60,000. Bonn has said that it will tracts for Soviet deliveries

even if it means returning the unused equipment. Rainer Eppelmann, the East

promised an across-the-board

review of its rigid structures and "fossilised rituals", as one

leading ideologue put it. "We

need to give oxygen to the society," said the party's youth secretary, Roberto

What was not up for debate,

it was made clear, was Cuba's

commitment to socialism and

the one-party state. Nor will

To the party's dismay, dis-

cussion at grass-roots meet-

ings the first time around

confined itself to the usual

complaints about the econ-

omy and work problems, while the bigger questions it

wanted to hear about were

"The people didn't feel

confident talking about these

issues," a University of Havana professor said. "There is

an inhibition so the debate

The mass meetings were

suspended in April while the

party went back to the draw-

ing board to find ways of

persuading the tongue-tied

populace to open up. They

began again two weeks ago,

after a series of internal de-

bates by party-related institu-

tions which received wide

coverage on Cuban television.

They were designed to give the

ordinary folk a better idea of what the government had in

"We are asking people to

judge all we have done up to

now, and to look to the future

to see how we should go on,"

explained the central commit-

the president.

largely avoided.

was paralysed."

would pose logistical meanwhile confirmed that the economy comes to terms with eparate identity of the the currency merger, Lothar volksarmee will disappear at de Maizière, the prime min-Volksarmee will disappear at the beginning of next year when soldiers will be given new Bundeswehr uniforms. "We will be one country with one army," he said, adding that he did not expect any

resistance to the move.

Herr Eppelmann also confirmed that investigations were under way to track down Soviet chemical weapons

Germans want their reunited country to be called simply poll-(lan Murray writes).

The Mannheim electoral Soviet chemical weapons delivered to East Germany. Volksarmee sources had disclosed that the weapons were being stockpiled at bases outside East Berlin.

As the union of the two Germanies progresses, more than 40 000 East Germans are being made unemployed ev-

think." Yet there were strict limits, Señor Aldana con-ceded. "If people want to talk

about bringing capitalism to

Cuba, we are not going to pay

them any attention," he said.

a leading member of the Cuban Writers and Artists

Union, said people were now

responding more freely to the party's call. "For example, in

the national council of our

discussion of most of the

issues set out in the discussion

document," he said. "I think people didn't really under-

stand what the party wanted at

Soledad Cruz, a columnist

for the Communist youth newspaper Juventud Rebelde,

believes it was not so much

fear as habit that stymied the

original debate. "What people

need here is a sense of

participation," she said. "This really is lacking."

Among the ways being examined to broaden partici-

pation are increasing the role

of Cuba's parliament, the

National Assembly of Peo-

ple's Power, an ostensibly elected body whose members

are, however, either suggested

or approved by the ruling party; and, for the first time,

welcoming religious believers into political life.

Reformist elements within

the Communist party appear

to be anticipating the congress with excitement, and may try

to extend the limits of the

debate when it sits early next

year. Some observers believe

the debate may take on a momentum of its own, that

the party will find difficult to control. "It could turn into a

real Pandora's box for Fidel,"

capitalism or direct election of union there was a very critical

Alberto Carol, a painter and

ister, said vesterday. He ap-pealed to enterprises to put their workers on half-time shifts before making them

BONN: A majority of West

research group survey showed, 53 per cent preferred the name by itself, 30 per cent favoured the present fittle, Bundes republik Deutschland (Federally States) eral Republic of Germany) and 11 per cent opted for Republik Deutschland. Three per cent wanted the old name of Deutsches Reich.

Havana asylum seekers

From AFP IN HAVANA

FIVE Cubans seeking asylum, who had spent a week hiding in a Czechoslovak diplemat's home, surrendered to authori-

Fourteen other Cubans sought refuge last week at the Czechoslovak embassy, but they voluntarily left the compound in two groups on Friday and Monday.

Another four Cubans have

On Wednesday, Cuba is-

surrender

who stormed into the diplomat's house a week ago asking for political asylum, met a Cuban foreign ministry official and were told that they would not be arrested if they left the building, one of the

sought refuge in the Italian ambassador's residence and another four in the Spanish embassy. The situation has sparked a deterioration in Havana's hardline communist leadership's relations with Spain and Czechoslovakia

● MADRID: Diplomatic

The four men and a woman,

refugees said.

sued a scathing attack on Spain for its statements on the refugee situation, prompting Madrid to recall its ambassador. Yesterday, Spanish of-ficials in Brussels said Spain was suspending economic cooperation with Cuba until a solution was found

relations between Cuba and Spain were described as "rather cold" by a spokesman at the foreign ministry near yesterday, as the recalled Spanish ambassador returned est for soldiers and their dependents.

he was not without hope that the networks set up against. West Germany would be wound down as political relations developed.

The collapse of communism in Eastern Europe had weakened the orthodox communists and other extreme left wing groups in West Germany, according to their report. At the same time, there had been a rise in the nume, there had been a rise in the nume there of right wing catternats add. of right-wing extremists and associated violence The report estimated that there were around 41,000 members of extreme left-wing groups, and about 40,000 da the far right. The left-wingers

olence, committing 837 crimtnal assaults during the tear compared with 103 by the right-wing. Of those carried out by the left, 191 were classified as terrorist attacks: including the murder by the Red Army Faction of Affred Hermausen, president of the Deutsche Bank. The rightwingers were responsible for racist attacks, setting fire to the homes of asyhum seekers and foreigners.

Former

Stasi

agents

to get

amnesty

From IAN MURRAY

FORMER members of the East German Stasi secret police are likely to be given an

amnesty from prosecution,

but they will not be allowed to

work as counter-espionage agents in a united Germany, Walter Schäuble, the West

German interior minister,

said yesterday.

said yesterday.

Presenting the annual report of the Federal Office for Protection of the Constitution, (BfV), the equivalent of MI5. Herr Schaible said that the annesty would probably be written into the "second state" treaty being drawn up to complete the legal merging of the two committee. It would extend to those agents win had been involved in collecting information, but hot to those who might be guilty and human rights abuses.

Information about Ent.
Germans collected by the Stass would not be used although it would be possible for individuals to consult their files to clear their names and

possibly to make damage claims, he said.

The role of the BfV after

remification was still being discussed. Much of its energy has been concentrated on

countering spies from East Germany and from the old communist bloc. Despite the upheavals and changes in the

past year, the office had not noticed any decrease in the amount of spying activity during 1989, although Herr Schauble said that since the

beginning of this year there had been a clear change.

In his view the changed economic relations with these

countries would alter both

Germanies security interests

and the need for them to spy.

Although political changes of ten took a long time to be reflected by the secrets cryices, he was not without hope that

Herr Schäuble was not sure what would be done about the East German communist party after reunification in the past it had acted as mentor to the tiny West German communist party, which was considered too small and disorganised to represent a danger. If it now started to spread its activities in the West, it would be necessary to test whether its programmes and aims were compatible with the democratic basis of the constitution and whether it was working closely with illegal left-wing groups.

The report said that the most violent foreign group working in West Germany was the IRA, which had been responsible for the murder of four people in 1989 around

Dreams of Italy brighten Albania's stalinist gloom From Associated Press in vlore, albania TELEVISION aerials in Vlore Albanians can receive harsh a group of Italian tourists, pull in the sounds and sights punishments for contacts with called out the names of Italian

of another world only 40 miles away across the Adriatic Sea. "We all dream of Italy," sighed a waiter at a govern-

ment-run restaurant. Residents interviewed by a reporter on a one-day ferry trip from Italy all expressed a desire to go abroad. Some appeared to want better lives, while others longed to escape the grip of Europe's last hardline communist regime.

Their quick, whispered comments suggested that the discontent that drove thousands of Albanians to seek refuge in embassies in Tirana, the capital, was present in other regions. "There's noth-ing in this country to live for," declared a young economist

Like the others interviewed, he declined to be identified.

Viore, 60 miles southwest of Tirana, provides a glimpse of pop stars. One student, a life in Europe's poorest and most isolated country. Most of its population of 70,000 live in five-storey blocks of flats. Laundry flaps from the balconies, and in the rocky, white dirt around the buildings, thin children in patched clothes play under a baking sun.

Asked whether residents had problems getting enough food, a mechanic looked around to see if anyone was listening, then nodded. Cars are forbidden to individuals. On the broad, palm-lined road to the Vlore port, horses and vagons rattle past cyclists. has a television aerial, allow-

football players, and a few debated the merits of Italian member of the Roman Catholic minority, said he liked to watch the Pope on Italian television. Until recently, religious observances were banned in Albania. "When I see him, I cry," he said. It was through Italian tele-

But nearly every building revolution like those in Eastern Europe. "There are so many simple people here." ing residents to watch Italian programmes. Locals, spotting

vision that many Albanians learnt about the revolutions in Eastern Europe last year, as well as the boatlift that carried 4,500 Albanian asylum-seekers to Italy and France last week. Those interviewed this week spoke of widespread discontent in Albania. But they said they did not expect a

tee's ideological secretary, "We are asking people to be honest ... it's fundamental

Moscow eases tension over Arctic build-up From Tony Samstag



Mitterrand said it was possible to reconcile the desires of builders with defenders of the environment. He said new routes through

the Alps were indispensable but would take into account ecological factors. "It is a

question of European perspective. Europe is our common horizon." He echoed Signor

Cossiga's image of the tunnel as a precursor

of the barriers which have fallen in Europe.

IN OSLO A JOINT cup of coffee on the Arctic border between Norway and the Soviet Union appears to have settled an unprecedented series of incidents involving Soviet soldiers and Norwegian fishermen. port of Murmansk. The incidents began this month

when a Norwegian angler in the salmon-rich Pasvik Valley claimed he had been shot at by Soviet border troops while fishing on the Norwegian side of a body of water known as Lazarus Pond, along the Jakob river. Subsequently, in separate incidents, three more Norwegian fishermen were briefly detained and the equipment of a fourth was allegedly confiscated by Soviet border patrols. Objections were lodged, and the Soviet authorities admitted a border

coffee. Nobody is quite sure what the soldiers were doing there. Despite the presence of an elec-

violation, while noting that the shots

had been fired in the air as warnings.

The peace was sealed over a cup of

trified fence in some stretches, the Nordic borders with the Soviet Union have been remarkably peaceful throughout the Cold War. The absence of overt tension has belied concern over a steady build-up of Soviet forces just over the frontier on the Kola peninsula, centred on the

Last month it was disclosed that the Soviet Union had for the first time stationed around 40 MiG-27 fighterbombers, with nuclear capability, on Kola. Per Ditlev-Simonsen, the Norwegian defence minister, told a seminar in Bergen that the squadron had been re-positioned from its former base at Debrechen in Hungary. Its presence in Kola represented "a marked increase of the Soviet Union's

offensive capability". He added: "This highlights Norway's view, expressed in Nato, that .. weapons reductions in Central Europe must not lead to a military build-up on the flanks", a phenomenon which others have described as "the sausage effect".

The installations on Kola, which

Nordic desence analysts describe as the largest military complex in the world, are thought to account for at least 50 per cent of the entire Sovietsubmarine force. Several motorised infantry divisions are based on the peninsula and there are perhaps 20 large airfields.

Satellite photographs and intelligence reports published during the 1980s have identified two strategic nuclear submarine bases, two strategic nuclear bomber bases, two strategic early warning and target acquisition radar complexes, about 70 strategic air defence SAM complexes, one theatre-nuclear missile launch complex, seven main submarine bases, nine bases for surface forces, 22 main airbases with hardened aircraft shelters and runways exceeding 1,600 metres, 18 secondary airfields, and the pre-positioning and deployment infrastructure for a front-level army.

Ironically enough, two years ago the Soviet Union, in a confidence-building operation, invited observers from eight other countries to watch the Baltic fleet in naval manocuvres in

the Gulf of Finland. It was billed as the first "glasnost manoeuvre" with a view to building towards designating the Baltic as a "sea of peace". Only two Warsaw Pact countries, East. Germany and Poland turned up. The other six who had been invited - all five Nordic nations plus West Germany - were conspicuous by their.

absence. . The Soviet Union complained angrily to the United States and to Nato, whom they blamed for the snub. They reiterated charges that the West seemed intent on building up tensions at sea while disarming, under the INF treaty, on land. Adding insult to injury (and some weight, perhaps, to the Soviet gricvance) the Danes and West Germans had unofficially sent reconnaissance warships to the region to keep an eye on the 2,500 men. 38 battleships, 22 and the two submarines and four helicopters taking part in the exercise.

Norwegian officials declined to comment on whether pressure might in fact have been brought by Nato to give the exercises a miss.

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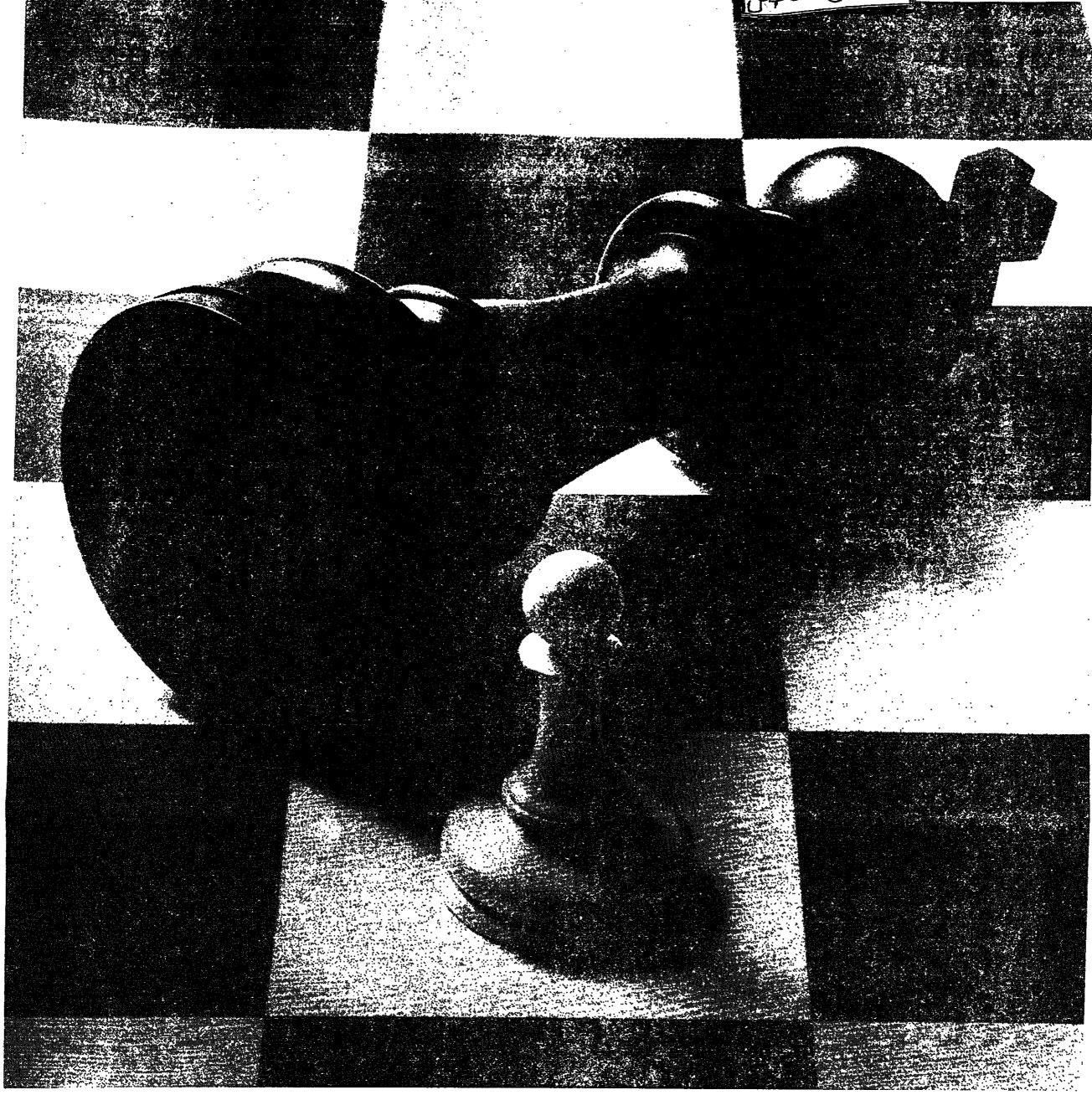
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Kuwait hits back at Iraq in letter to Arab League

yesterday with a letter to the constitution, now in its final Arab League in Tunis, in drafting stage, would make which it levelled against Iraq him president for life. some of the charges that Iraq had laid at its door occupation of a border region and the illegal exploitation of an

The likelihood of war breaking out between the former quietly protested to Iraq about Gulf war allies was ruled out by local analysts, but Kuwaitis land by Iraqi forces. In lanliving in Baghdad began to leave in large numbers, while President Saddam Hussein ister described Iraq's accusa-announced the first step of his tions as "distortions of facts". programme to turn Iraq into a

KUWAIT hit back at Iraq democracy: he said a new

In its letter, Kuwait not only refuted Iraq's accusations that it had erected military posts and drilled oil wells in Iraqi territory, but also said that for a number of years it had the occupation of part of its guage hitherto reserved for Israel, Kuwait's foreign min-The two countries fought a

Rescuers under fire on Shia battlefield

RESCUE teams braved artil- national Committee of the Red lery shells to pull out 11 Cross and the Lebanese Red Cross moved slowly up to the village of Jarjou, 24 miles southeast of Beirut, during bodies yesterday from front lines separating rival Shia who have been locked in fierce battles for the a precarious full. Rescue work-Lebananon since Sunday. outfits and waving Red Cross More than 45 people have flags, fanned out for a search, been killed and 152 wounded and two hours later returned

with 11 bodies. A security source said the dead were all in this latest round of fighting, pitting the pro-Syrian Amal militia against the Iranian-backed Hezbollah (the Party The rescue operation was of God). Their on-off struggle began in April 1988, and has interrupted when Red Cross teams came under shellfire so far been responsible for from Amal artillery. The reskilling 1,000 people. cue teams immediately withdrew from the area, leaving

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border war in 1973 that left a part of their common border undefined. But then Iraq was a feeble military power, while today it is described as the most powerful in the Arab world. Two years after the end of the war with Iran, Iraq maintains 800,000 men under arms, which partly explains its shortage of foreign currency, which is behind its complaints against its richer neighbours.

In an attempt to lower tension, Saudi Arabia broke its nervous silence by announcing that King Fahd had telephoned President Hussein and Sheikh Jaber al-Sabah, the Emir of Kuwaiti, urging them to show restraint. The United States also issued a statement that it would help maintain "the individual and collective security of its friends in the region", though some diplomats doubted whether the Iraqi leader, in his present clearly expansionist mood, would take much notice of it for the time being.

The eyes of the Arab world will now be on the next ministerial meeting of Opec in Geneva on Friday. But Baghdad's main charge, of the violation of its land by Kuwait, appears likely to remain a festering wound.

Saddam will not be satisfied until he has humiliated Kuwait," said a writer on the life history of the Iraqi leader. "And if he is to have another war, he would rather have it now that he is 53 than when he

Flood victims near Calcutta take to a boat after mensoon-fed rivers swamped thousands of villages, killing 360 and making milli

Setback for Cambodia peace plan

From A Correspondent

JAMES Baker's statement in Paris on Wednesday that the United States will no longer recognise the Cambodia tripartite coalition, or its presence at the United Nations, has dealt a serious blow to the Australian peace plan for

While the American Secretary of State emphasised

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power in Cambodia and would not affect its support to the resistance coalition's two non-communist factions (led by Prince Norodom Sihanouk and Son Sann, the former prime minister), Mr Baker's announcement is bound to weaken the latter politically.

The Australian peace initiative depends on these factions remaining strong, to force the

policy was to prevent the Penh government towards a elections monitored by a UN Khmer Rouge regaining solution to the 11-year delegation.

The Australian plan, first floated by the minister for foreign affairs and trade, Gareth Evans, after the Vietnamese withdrew from Cambodia last year, proposed implemented in Namibia. A peacekeeping force was to be sent to Cambodia for between six months and a year, while

Mr Evans's ideas were

deemed unrealistic by the US almost from the start. It was thought that Cambodia was too much in flux for the plan to succeed, and there weremisgivings about the UN's ability to manage the military, administrative and political structures needed by the initiative. The cost of the operation, estimated at more than US \$1 billion (£550 million). was another factor.

Mr Baker's Paris proposal are simpler and cheaper, relying on the promise of talks, and possible economic aid, to encourage Vietnam to use its influence in shifting Phnom Penh towards free elections.

Mr Evans, who has made his Cambodian peace plan something of a showpiece of Australian foreign policy, must be seen as having suffered a rebuff at the change in American policy.

This comes at a time when the Cambodian problem is again becoming a sensitive political issue for the Labor government. Recent media reports have warned of a fresh influx of Cambodian boat people into Australia, and the opposition has emphasised that, without a Cambodian settlement, there will be little chance of an end to the refugee problem. It now seems unlikely that it will be a Laborled initiative that will bring about this settlement.

Hopes fade for quake victims

AS THE death toll in Monday's earthquake rose to more than 600, American, British te search for the dozens of people still trapped under collapsed buildings, although hopes of bringing them out

The extent of the damage i extensive: Governors and now pleaded for help, saying there are no rescue operations in their area.

Red Cross and civil defence people were injured and about 100,000 left homeless A group of 16 British experts Christian College in Cabanatura City the quake's

McCurley, also flew to Baguio earthquake. The United States has sent a 20-man relief teamand Japan has sent a 26-strong search group, with sniffer

Messages of sympathy and pledges of help continue to arrive. Britain said it was turning over \$35,000 worth of medicine to the Philippine Red Cross and Tokyo said it would give \$300,000 to vic-

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Sagan sues over puppet portrayal

times have encompassed prosecution for possession of more than a few bruising encounters with alcohol, drugs, gambling and the French tax authorities. To her credit, the distinguished au-thor and playwright has usu-ally taken them on the chin without complaint, even when fellow intellectuals are rallying to her cause.

But enough is enough, and Sagan has just announced that she is taking a cable television network, Canal Plus, to court for "an intolerable attack on her image, her name and her personality". The case arises from the puppet that represents her on a popular satirical show called Nulle Part Ailleurs (Nowhere else but here) which is transmitted at peak viewing time and can usually be received by non-subscribers.

According to Sagan's law-yer, she is depicted as an dishevelled old bat, butting in on every conversation, wildeyed and gesticulating. What's more, he maintains, the pup-pet's appearance is "bestiale" and its voice comes across in a sort of belly-rumble that re-quires translation in subtitles.

Hurtful stuff, and all the more so, perhaps, because Sagan was unsuccesful in an action a couple of years ago to get the puppet banished from French screens. On that occasion, she did at least secure the agreement of Canal Plus to drop sequences linking her to drug-taking, on the grounds

FRANÇOISE Sagan's life and that she was then awaiting

Last March, Sagan was con-victed of the charges, receiv-ing a six-month suspended jail sentence and a fine of £45,000. One of her complaints against Canal Plus now is that the Sagan puppet is frequently shown with a runny nose, a common side-effect of cocaine

Although the case will not be heard until after France's inviolable long summer holiday, the self-appointed cul-tural élite of Paris are already taking sides. Should Sagan have risen above this rude assault, demonstrating that the most creative and sensitive souls do not lack a sense of humour, or is she striking a valiant blow against the harbarians on behalf of intellectuals (a full-time profession here)?

We are talking of a community which scrambled to sign a petition supporting Sagan after she was accused of those cocaine offences. "Charge us too!" declared an array of writers, poets, actors and hangers-on in an open letter to the authorities, acknowledging that they had also indulged: others who had not been offered the chance to sign complained bitterly to the organiser of the petition.

At Canal Plus, straight bat was the order of the day. "Some people find our caricatures funny, others don't."

They point out that Savon is They point out that Sagan is the only person to resort to law after being put through the wringer on Nulle Part Ailleurs, where government ministers and prominent politicians, newsreaders, showbusiness figures and captains of industry are iampooned without

If Sagan has her way, the case could cost the show 1.5 million francs (about £150,000) for "gratuitous soiling" of her image: whether eventual success in court would encourage others who take similar exception to their puppets remains to be seen.



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UN seeks leader to end divisions in drug campaign

By Andrew McEwen, DIPLOMATIC EDITOR, IN VIENNA

DIVISIONS within the main Drugs, which acts as the lion since 1982, because United Nations drugs agencies secretariat of the commission. governments liked his aphave been spotlighted in a The International Narcotics proach of spending money on

Several governments, inclucerned that rivalries among UN officials, and disputes over who does what, are circulating in Vienna, promaking the UN bodies less poses that all UN anti-drugs effective than they should be. Fifteen experts, including a former British ambassador, will meet in Vienna on Monday to complete a report recommending important changes. It will be used by Javier Pérez de Cuéllar, the UN secretary-general, to make recommendations for the General Assembly, which is expected to order a re-

The main bodies are the Economic and Social Council, responsible for policy, which is the parent body of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs, an inter-governmental expert group meeting once a

Italy leads Middle East initiative

Brussels - Italy will lead a EC delegation to Israel and Tunis next week in a fresh attempt to resolve the Middle East impasse. It will also head a mission to Albania in September (Michael Binyon writes).

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The initiatives highlight Italy's determination to play a key role as president of the EC. The Middle East mission is the first serious EC attempt to play a role in the region in 10 years. It will include foreign ministers from Ireland, Italy and Luxembourg.

Publisher dies Paris - Georges Dargaud,

who launched the popular Tintin magazine and Asterix comic-book series, has died of a long illness at 79. (AP) Church uproar

San Francisco — Two Lu-theran congregations have been suspended after they ordained a gay man and two lesbians as ministers. (Reuter)

Panda power

Peking - China's rent-apanda diplomacy is to continue despite appeals to stop sending them to zoos around the world. (Reuter)

Eclipse fever

Helsinki - Astronomers are gathering here for a fleeting glimpse on Sunday of Europe's first total eclipse of the sun since 1981. (Reuter)

Women soldiers

Rome - The Italian military. one of the last all-male forces in Europe, is to allow women to join up. (Reuter)

Airline dispute

Paris - France's main domestic airline, Air Inter, has cancelled 25 per cent of its flights today and tomorrow because of a scheduled pay strike. (AP)

'Thief' sues

Patras - Christian Holland, a West German, has sued himself for stealing his own parcel to protest against the slack Greek post office. (Reuter)

and of trade and production of Several governments, including that of Britain, are contumn has a secretariat of 21

technical experts. A draft of the report, activities should come under one internationally-known

Margaret Anstee, the UN drugs co-ordinator and head of the UN office in Vienna, supports the plan as a longterm goal, but wants it in-troduced slowly. She fears that rapid change could disrupt agencies which she considers are working well, and says the real problem is under-funding. Asked if she would be a candidate for the new post, she said that was premature.

Guiseppe di Gennaro, director of the UN fund for drug abuse control, strongly sup-ported the proposals, attacked year to examine the work of the Division of Narcotic approach of the UN, said there were too many seminars and not enough action, and hoped to be a candidate for the new post.

Abdelaziz Bahi, secretary of the International Narcotics Control Board, feared he would no longer be able to report directly to his board. He claimed that empire-building by certain unnamed persons, lay behind the plan.

The British government is among those most concerned. Lynda Chalker, minister for overseas development, gave a veiled hint in an interview that Britain's future contributions could be in question if matters did not improve.

In a speech last month she called for "an end to bickering over rival claims of competence (between different UN agencies) ... an end to empire building throughout the UN system".

Miss Anstee, aged 64, an Englishwoman with 38 years' service, wants to conserve and improve the present system. Signor di Gennaro, aged 66, a doughty Neapolitan lawyer with an iconoclastic approach, wants radical changes. They work in offices only yards apart on the fourteenth floor of the UN complex. But while their relationship is outwardly cordial, senior sources say

Signor di Gennaro is the most effective fund-raiser in the UN drugs system. His budget has risen from \$5 mil-

confidential report calling for an internationally known figure to lead the world fight

The international Plateties action programmes rather compliance with drug treaties fighting the Mafia as a prosecutor and judge, he has little patience with UN life and sees himself as an outsider.

The row over co-ordination between the different agencies stems partly from his view that it is a distraction from the main job. "Co-ordination is one of those tremendous disruptive expressions," he

It was something nobody could oppose, but often meant something else. "What we have here is a lack of action (by the UN bodies). I would like very much to be in a situation where a lack of coordination was the problem."

When Miss Anstee was appointed drugs co-ordinator three years ago, part of her remit was to persuade Signor di Gennaro to work more closely with other agencies. She had some success, but has had no power to tell him what to do. One of the anomalies is that the co-ordinator has lim-ited powers over only two of the main agencies.

Signor di Gennaro said the real problem lay in the bureaucratic traditions of the UN. There is a natural trend to address more attention to procedures than goals. The real goal of the organisation becomes the procedures,"

When the UN was asked to take action, its usual response was to set up a committee, hold a seminar and order more research and training. These, he said, were diversions. He questioned the value of more and more statistics when everyone knew there was a problem to be

Miss Anstee agreed, but said the demand came from governments, not UN officials. Whenever the general assem-bly was unable to agree, it asked the secretary-general to write another report.

A further criticism made of Signor di Gennaro's agency and of the Division of Nar-cotic Drugs (one of the two agencies over which Miss Anstee has some powers) is that they overlap. Western diplomatic sources said there was duplication of the work to reduce demand for drugs, and of research and technical services. The agencies also failed to share their support services fully. Miss Anstee acknowledged some duplication but both she and Signor di Gennaro felt it was not the lion (£2.8 million) to \$70 mil- main problem.



and bridge blockade set up by Indians challenging the Quebec authorities over a new golf course which they claim would encroach on sacred burial grounds

Managua tussle over hearts and minds of pupils

From A Correspondent in Managua

tension between revolutionary ideals still widely held, and new conservative policies, and the dispute is fierce because the prize is seen as nothing less than the nation's youth.

On one side, new education Guards. tionary teaching and replace it with what they widely term "a Christian education". On the other, most of the country's 36,000 teachers are pro-Sandinista and vow to resist changes, and continue "humanist, scientific instruction".

The struggle emerged as Sandinistas celebrated the eleventh anniversary on July 19 of the overthrow of Anastasio Somoza. Although Daniel Ortega, the Sandinista leader, lost the February elections to Senora Chamorro, Sandinistas have been true to their pledge to continue "governing from below" by mobilising public support and a party network to frustrate her designs with strikes and

mented. "The police won't go in to take down Sandinista flags because they are supporting their side."

But the ministry is moving on other fronts. New primary school reading textbooks are to be delivered on Monday.

Warner Bros disapproved and

managed to keep the rights to

the film. They also signed up

Puttnam, who made Chariots

of Fire, The Killing Fields and The Mission, as producer of

the Mendes saga, budgeted at

The second chapter in the

making of the film may be

over, but a new one has begun.

The search has started to find

the actor who will play

Mendes, a thickset man with

moustache. Robert de Niro

and Dustin Hoffman are

thought to have been ruled

out. Puttnam is said to be

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Joffre Rodrigues, executive

director of JN Filmes, realises

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THE government of President The current texts, called Chamorro and the Sandinista Carlitos after Carlos Fonseca, opposition are doing ideologi- the Sandinista founder, excal battle over the minds - posed even the smallest childsome would say souls - of ren to heavy doses of Nicaragua's children. The bat-militarism. A Carlitos for tle goes to the heart of the primary children shows the Sandinista flag beside the national banner, teaches some letters of the alphabet with words of war ("G for guerrilla") and contains poems such as Ode To Our Frontier

ministry officials are trying to clear classrooms of nearly 11 retary-general of the pro-San-years of left-wing revoludinista teachers' union, defended the texts because they were used when the country was defending itself from US backed contra rebels. By last year, Señor Martinez said, the union had decided to revise the books. But the government he said was moving dangerously fast.

Tension in some schools is being fed by bitterness between teachers with different views. Senor Martinez, for instance, resents pro-government teachers who want to remove commemorative "patriotic corners" in schools for about 150 teachers killed by contras during the war.

On the other hand, Mario Casco, secretary-general of the pro-government teachers' other protests.

"Some schools are in open the ministry arter years rebellion," Sofonias Cisneros, organising clandestinely against the Sandinistas' union against the Sandinistas' union ary" activities.

During a break at a recent meeting Señor Casco and other like-minded teachers laughed with glee when they read that a librarian in the city of León made a bonfire of literary works by Sandinista authors. "They call it an inquisition, but those kinds of books should be burnt," Senor Casco said. "They are

Deeper than flags and books, teachers and officials differ fundamentally about what education should produce. Most controversial is the perceived influence of Roman Catholic Cardinal Miguel Obando y Bravo. Señor Cisneros is widely believed to have been appointed by President Chamorro at the cardinal's suggestion. Señor Cisneros is not a professional educator, and is best known as the Catholic leader of a parents' association who fought Sandinista policies.

Humberto Belli, the deputy minister, is considered a close associate of the cardinal's. During the Reagan adminworked for the US conservative group, the Institute on Religion and Democracy.

"We don't teach religion. but we do want to impart the Christian values which have constructed Western civilisation," Senor Cisneros said.

Some effects of the Christian or Catholic point of view may materialise quickly. Catholics, for instance, are vehemently opposed to abortion, which is legal in Nicaragua. "We cannot destroy a foetus, a human life," said Etelmy Martinez, a pre-school teacher, at a meeting of proeovernment teachers.

Some Sandinista teachers worry over Catholic emphasis on marriage as an insummon in a country where some 75 per cent of children are born to women who are not properly married. And they say that if sex education is allowed to continue, it will only be as a preparation for marriage.

"These attitudes simply clash with the realines in our country, and leave children feeling marginalised and con-fused," Guillermo Martinez Guillermo Martinez said. "Our people are highly religious, but we should not be at the service of the Catholic religion."

Amazon killing turns Hollywood spotlight on rainforest's plight

wounding two.

Soon after Mendes's death,

his home town of Xapuri, in

the southwestern corner of

Amazonia, was flooded by

people from Hollywood's big

production companies. They

tried to persuade the local

rubber tapper community and

Mendes's widow, Ilzamar, to

accept their bid for the poten-

tial blockbuster. A poor town,

Among the bidders were

Robert Redford with 20th

ming in talk of big money.

From Louise Byrne in Rio de Janiero

AFTER nearly 18 months' rubber tapper and union lead- years in prison for attempted also took Guber-Peters and wrangling over the story er, in December 1988, and murder after an incident in their projects into the fold. rights, bought for more than £1 million, David Puttnam, the British director, is to make a film about Chico Mendes, the Brazilian ecologist mur-dered two years ago by people opposed to his battle to save the Amazon rainforest

Puttnam will produce the film with Warner Bros and the Brazilian JN Filmes. Shooting starts next month of scenes of the controversial fires, used in the so-called "slash-and-burn" stem to clear tropical rainforest for agriculture, a technique that can severely impoverish the soil in the long

The men accused of ordering and carrying out Mendes's murder are still awaiting trial. A ranch owner, Darli Alves da Silva, is charged with ordering

extensive burning in the Ama-zon forests that year, pro-group of rubber tappers, voked an international outcry and heightened pressure on Brazil to improve its environ-mental record. At a time of growing world concern for the environment, the film is expected to become a box-office

the murder. His son, Darci, technique that can severely impoverish the soil in the long term.

The murder of Mendes, a Oloci, were sentenced to 12

Minister bans her picture

ROS KELLY, the Australian arts minister, has banned this photograph of herself dressed only in a red sheet, from being shown at a photographic exhibition.

Australian women.

Asked if Mrs Kelly found

IN CANBERRA

The photograph of Mrs Kelly, aged 42, has been changed for a more conservative black and white one showing the fabric around her shoulders. It will feature in the exhibition on 30 prominent

the first photo too risqué, a spokesman said yesterday: "She just didn't like that halo in the other one."

From REUTER

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Century Fox, Britain's Gold-crest, and the Guber-Peters looking for an actor, big name Corporation, which produced Batman and Rain Man. or not, who resembles Mennear-perfect English is being A local committee was set up to discuss the bids and how sought to play fizamar. the money would be distributed. But negotiations ended when Senhora Mendes travthe importance of what is

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elled to Rio de Janeiro to sign a contract with JN Filmes. She and her two young children were apportioned 3O per cent of the £1 million-plus contract and the Chico Mendes Foundation, founded in Xapuri to continue the ecologist's work, 70 per cent. There were squabbles over the money. Eunice Feitosa,

who claimed to be Mendes's first wife, demanded a share of the takings. She and her daughter, aged 20, whose father was said to be the ecologist, were eventually paid \$25,000 (£13,800) by JN Filmes.

The plot thickened. JN Filmes signed up with Guber-Peters, and Guber-Peters signed up with Warner Bros. Then in April this year Sony

those who have not been concerned with preservation of the Amazon until now," he said, adding that it would contain many details about Mendes not generally known. Filming is to take place in the northern Amazon state of Para. Rio de Janeiro and Mendes's home state of Acre. Plans to shoot scenes in

Mendes's home town, however, have not been confirmed. Some rubber-tapper leaders in the town claim the 80-strong film crew will increase inflation and change the community for ever. But much of the 20,000 population apparently cannot wait for Hollywood to come visting.

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but the mines which produce for £50. Besieged by diamond them are not. One of the most historic sources of top quality gemstones, which secured a the princely sum of £6,300.

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> served: "This diamond is the rock upon which the future success of South Africa will be built." As far as the original De Beers mine was concerned,

ers in the area still in full production. This is not the The unceremonious demise during the recession of 1908 of the De Beers mine will be in two brothers, Arnoldus and or 4.6 tons, worth around Johannes De Beer, bought a £1 billion at present prices.

A lot of work is going to confront Western mission-aries when they return to Nimba County, the homeland of Liberia's Gio tribe. Many of the missions have been taken over by the rebels. In Tapeta, both the Roman Catholic and Baptist missions are quickly falling into disrepair. The nocturnal habits of the rebels and their camp followers, in bedrooms accustomed to more elevated and reflective activity, would not be to the liking of the former occupants. The missionaries may also find when they resume their pastoral

duties that there has been a general failing away from the path of Christian belief. Animist and voodoo cults are on the resurgence in Liberia. Every soldier and rebel possesses some juju or other. Sometimes, it is just a piece of string. On other occasions, bits of human anatomy can be seen hanging around the necks of the combatants. "Proofing" is also much in vogue: this involves a witchdoctor casting a spell that gives protection, or providing a magic balm. The brother of one of the rebel battalion commanders tried to persuade me to get myself



"proofed". "If you do, no bullet will enter your body," he said.

¬ he six-month civil war bas been a godsend for the ramshackle Ivory Coast border town of Danane. The trickle of business normally enjoyed by the town, which is located a few miles from the only open, official crossing with Liberia, has turned into a flood after the appearance of journalists, international relief organisations, refugees and rebels.

attend international disasters arrived in force, and the dollar signs are ringing up in the eyes of the hoteliers and market stallholders who, despite belonging to the same Gio tribe as the refugees, are not past squeezing every cent they can out of their brothers and sisters from Liberia. Prices have rocketed and the range of goods normally on sale in this shabby town has widened. The latest American videos are on sale, many of them destined to be smuggled through the border to rebel leaders based in the Liberian city of Buchanan. M Everest must be one of the

richest men in Danané now. He is the main rebel contact man in the town and is charging journalists up to \$1,000 (£555) to arrange safe passage to territory held by Charles Taylor's National Patriotic Front of Liberia. The inside of his house in a side-street near the police headquarters, with which he enjoys a cosy relationship, is stuffed with expensive goods, including a state-of-the-art hi-fi system, top-range cameras and an excellent video recorder. A few paces away, a small camp of refugees stare at the comings and goings outside M

The normal motley crew who Everest's house. They stir apathetically the contents of a small cooking pot which contains a miserable portion of rice and

> haking hands in Liberia is an Sexhausting business. It involves rather a lot of digital dexterity. First, you grip each other's hands in the normal fashion and participate in a few shakes. Then, you move your hands to clasp thumbs. The final stage returns you to the handshake position. You then press the little fingers together, followed by the third fingers and then the second fingers. The pressing of the second fingers is the real art of the thing because you snap them together to make a clicking sound. The louder the click, the happier people are. Women generally do not go in for the whole time-consuming business. They do a normal but lingering handshake

he most frequent question asked by any rebel of a foreigner in Liberia today is "You have a gift for me?" Often, a sinister leer accompanies the question. There is also much tinkering around with the AK47. A "gift" is normally a cigarette or a few US dollars. A good gift will result in being quickly waved through the rebel checkpoints on the dirt tracks outside villages in Numba County and Grand Bassa County Many of the rebels, though, are raw, uneducated recruits who have hardly ever been outside their own villages. This can cause problems. One rebel was furious with me when I passed five greenbacks to him. "What's this, man?" he said. "I want dollars."

Ignorant though some of the rebels may be about what a US dollar looks like, they know Californian beach style when they see it. The bright, colourful shorts in favour in the land of the free are also much sought after in Liberia. The appearance of an average rebel soldier is thus quite extraordinary: beach shorts, juju. captured army helmet and trendy T shirt. Many of the rebels are very young Entering Liberta from Danané, one of the first soldiers to question me was a tiny boy who could not have been even in his teens. He clutched a pistol. I breathed a huge sigh of relief when I saw that the safety catch was on.

pit loses its sparkle From GAVIN BELL IN JOHANNESBURG DIAMONDS may be for ever, farm in the Orange Free State

until next year, but in effect champagne. the mine has reached the end of its economic life. "It is a fact of life that our products last longer than our mines," a spokesman said. "Happily, we have three oth-

end of Kimberley." sharp contrast with its discovery and feverish development. The story began in 1860 when

jacent mines. These were the After more than a century of rumbustious days when minproduction, the De Beers diamond mine at Kimberley is of lava into the deepest manto cease underground produc- made hole in the world, lit tion in October. Treatment of surface reserves will continue and bathed their women in Richard Southey, colonial secretary of the Cape, ob-

> he was right. Ceasing operations only produced a glittering stream of diamonds. The total haul is estimated at 23 million carats, or 4.6 tons, worth around

Antidotes to bardolatry

Philip Howard

ere is summer half gone, and I have not managed to Park yet, let alone Stratford. You cannot endure an English summer properly without Shakespeare. My grandmaman, though seriously Greek, knew this well enough, and used to take us to Stratford as soon as we could walk, in spite of alarm and alarums in the rest of the family that the plays might not be entirely suitable. One of my earliest memories is of not understanding a lot of what was going on in Cymbeline, but knowing that it was a brave new world. I know not, sir, whether Bacon wrote the words of Shakespeare, but if he did not it seems to me he missed the

opportunity of his life.
The Shakespeare cult is at high tide, what with the rediscovery of the foundations of the theatres, and Sam Wanamaker's magnificent obsession on the South Bank, as well as the Royal Shakespeare Company and amateur produc-tions in college gardens and village halls. One tendency these days is for authenticity, to get back to what it was really like for Elizabethan and Jacobean audiences. This fits in with another popular pursuit: re-experiencing the past by Pevsnering around churches and stately homes. If I do manage to make it to Stratford, I have no doubt that I shall be trampled by wild herds of snapping American and Japanese trippers doing it in

Of course we cannot recapture the past, precisely because it has passed. But I hope that at least some of the scanty anecdotes about Shakespeare are true. I hope he played the ghost in Hamlet. It is a foul slur to suggest that this implies that he was not much of an actor. The ghost is a demanding part with some good lines. I speak with authority, as a member of the ghost-busters union who fell off the battlements in School Hall with fearful clatter, in theory starting like a guilty thing upon a fearful summons, in fact giggling with surprise at the volume and scratchiness of the recording of the crowing of the cock. I hope that Queen Elizabeth let her handkerchief fall at his feet when Shakespeare was acting a king, to see whether it would distract him, and that he did not falter for a split second, but ad-libbed to one of the stage courtiers: "Take up our sister's handkerchief." This fits with our stereotypes of Elizabeth as mischievous and Shakespeare as cocky, and so is almost certainly untrue. I guess it is stage iore. I am certain that as soon as you write anything about Shake-speare, you are doomed to receive letters from fanatics and nutters arguing with passion that the plays were written not by Shakespeare, but by somebody else with the

The Shakespeare anecdote that rings true to me is of how, when he acted as godfather to one of Ben stood atter

hile I yield to no one in my admiration

for the industries which convert

its unflagging research into tubes, phials, tins, jars, boxes

and bubble-packs, there is no

question but that their insis-

tence on constant break-

throughs makes the prospect of

each succeeding holiday expo-

nentially glummer. Between your last trip and your next,

they will invariably have come

up with something new, and

you will not only have to take it

with you, you will have to

confront the prospect of the

suffering which will require you

long ago at that, the travelling

Briton was quite prepared to enter Abroad with nothing

more prophylactic than a stout

walking-stick and a red-spotted

bandanna. It was all there was.

Finding himself, say, in a

noxious spot where the natives

were dropping like flies, not to say because of them, the Briton

would use the stick both to fend

off anybody who might be

falling towards him and to

negotiate his passage over those who had already fallen, while

holding the bandanna over his

face to filter whatever it was

Alternatively, were he to sustain a fracture, it would be

the matter of a moment to snap

the stick into splints and con-

vert the bandanna into a sling,

or, in the event of a gash from

tusk or kris, a tourniquet. He

would then press on regardless,

while things healed. The better

sticks were hollow and con-

tained whisky, but this was his

only medicinal concession, re-

served for that occasional mo-

ment when he contracted

something from, say, a dodgy

Ganges oyster or a suppurating

Baluchi he might have in-

advertently rubbed up against

in the camel-queue, and had to

go and lie down until the

holiday; even more important,

be did not let its possibility spoil

his anticipation of his holiday.

Since there was nothing he

could do about anything, there was no point worrying. That he

might catch malaria while

pottering the alien bogs did not

He did not let this spoil his

that was felling them.

Once upon a time, and not so

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sions of sweet silent thought. Jonson asked what was the matter: Shakespeare replied that he had been pondering what to give the child as a present, but now he had made up his mind: "I'll give him a dozen good latten spoons and thou shalt translate them." (Latten was a cheap yellow metal, like brass, which was commonly used for household utensils in the 16th and 17th centuries.) I think that Shakespeare rather than an anecdotal bardolater might have made that dreadful pun, and might have been coarse enough to boast about his lack of Latin. We can think what we want about Shakespeare, because we know so little. But I think it is important to remember that, among many other things, he was a professional back working under the lash to meet horrendous deadlines, and then having his piece held over at the last minute by idiot producers.

In the quest for the real Shake-speare, we are just starting to get back to the Globe acting editions, in texts from the quirky quartos or the First Folio, which are as close as we can get to what he wrote for the company in his own theatre, without the bright alterations made by four centuries of editors. I have seen A Midsommer Nights Dreame in looseleaf notebook with ring clips, with a prompt script and part scripts for each character, a working edition for serious actors and students. It takes us closer to the original theatrical practices for which Shakespeare wrote than any other

modern edition. And it reminds us what a hurlyburly business it was. The Shakespearean repertory system was as frantic as producing a weekly colour mag. They mounted a different play every afternoon, six days a week, staging as many as 30 different plays a year - many of them continuously updated, improved and improvised - and never repeated even the most popular play more than four or five times in one month. The acters (and the playwrights) had far less time for rehearsal, perfectionism, and primadonnaism than their modern successors. Those original scripts are an antidote to dim bardolatry, which takes a man of the earth and pretends he was the Archangel

You should always take your Shakespeare with a spot of irreverence. He too believed in irreverence. "I don't know if you ever came across a play of Shake-speare's called Macbeth? If you did, you may remember this bird Macbeth bumps off another bird named Banquo and gives a big dinner to celebrate, and picture his embarrassment when about the first of the gay throng to turn up is Banquo's ghost, all merry and bright, covered in blood. It gave him a pretty nasty start. Shakespeare does not attempt to con-ceal." The man who made that pun about Latin spoon the christening sunk in the ses- would have enjoyed that.

cross his mind. Until, that is,

word got out about quinine. He then began to fret. He felt he

ought to take precautions. He

I have just got back from the

pharmacist. I have 19 packets. I

have piriton, and anti-hista-

mine, and sodium hypochlorite,

and lomotil, and codeine, and

flagyl, and pseudoephedrine, and chlorimazole, and chlor-

amphenical, and dextropropo-

xyphene, and benzocaine, and

achromycin, and diethyl toluamide, and some of them

you swallow, and some you

smear on, and some you spray,

and some you inhale, and I am only going to France. The last time I went, I had a mere 17

packets, but today the pharma-

cist said that there was a lot of

something or other about and

there were these new things on

the market, so I bought them.

He also enquired whether I had

considered taking a plasma pack, since you couldn't trust

foreign blood transfusions these

days, and I thought, oh good,

something new to worry about, I wonder if he's got any off-the-

peg artificial hips, I bet French orthopaedics is a bit iffy, but I

was up to thirty quid already.

All very sad. I am not a

hypochondriac, and for the rest of the year I wait for something to go wrong before researching a

cure, but here I am, forced to

contemplate the thousand natu-

ral shocks that flesh is heir to,

and, even worse, gloomily wondering if there's a 1001st I

may have missed, suppose I got beriberi, suppose a goitre

came up, or a wen, suppose I

woke up deaf, would it be smart to get something for it

now, rather than face some

ghastly Gallic quack in a wine-

stained goatee advancing upon

me with a fistful of mildewed

ask only because of a handy tip

from Moyra Bremner which I

have just spotted in The Daily

Telegraph: "If a sea-urchin spine becomes embedded in

your skin while bathing, ban-

dage a paw-paw or pineapple

over it. The fruit's enzymes

open up the skin, making

Pity I didn't notice it earlier.

The greengrocer's is bang next

But at which point to stop? I

suppositories?

removal easy.

door to the chemist's.

bought a bottle.

Conor Cruise O'Brien explains why the habits of Germans and others must be watched

Taking stock of national character

s there such a thing as national character? Nicholas Ridley asumes that there is, and those academics who briefed the prime minister about the Germans seem to have shared the assumption, without reaching the same conclusions. On the other hand, the German deputy foreign minister, Irmgard Adam-Schwätzer, interviewed on Channel 4, calmly denied the existence of national character. She spoke with the confidence of one who knows she is expressing a view shared by

most of her acquaintances.

I found that a little odd.

Whether national character exists or not, there is certainly a wide-spread assumption that it does. This shows in mildly hostile stereotypes of other nations. Thus if a group of French scholars were to advise President Mitterrand about the English character — not very likely — "hypocrisy" would figure on the list, just as "cynicism" would figure on an English list about the French.

French and English perceptions of each other have been relatively stable during (say) the past three centuries. Perceptions of German national character, on the other hand, have finctuated bewilderingly. In the first half of the 19th century, Germans — or most Germans — were thought of as exceptionally peace-loving, which is why Balzac, in describing a German acquaintance, could say that "he was the image of that pure and noble Germania whose peaceable customs have never denied themselves even under seven invasions". Those were French invasions, of course.

It should be noted, however,

that Balzac was alluding to a Germany, not to all Germany. Nobody has ever ascribed "peaceable customs" to the Prussians. By the last quarter of the 19th century, Prussia was imposing its stamp - the root-word for "character" - on the rest of Germany. Balzac's assessment would become incomprehensible to his compatriots by the end of the century. And the mood of the Prussian-moulded Second Reich communicated itself, under the quaking surface of the Weimar republic, to the emerging Third Reich. It was only after defeat in the second world war that the "paisibles moeurs" admired by Balzac flowered once again in the federal republic.

notion of national character is now uncongenial to Germans, for it implies continuity, and under-standably - and healthily - postwar Germans are more attracted to the idea of discontinuity. Yet it remains true that there is a German national character, made up of marked specific characteristics. More than other Europeans, Germans are hard-working, inventive, thrifty, painstaking in craftsmanship, punctilious about details and schedules, industrially cooperative and entrepreneurially gifled. These are the "habits" to

which Mr Ridley alluded. His

aversion appears to be caused not

by the habits themselves - all

intrinsically admirable - but by their having put Germany ahead. National characters -- clusters of characteristics - endure over long periods. But changing circumstances, particular stresses and opportunities, can bring different components of a cluster into salience. To be domineering is undoubtedly a component in the German character. The same is true of the American, English and French characters, but it is the domineering component in the German character which should preoccupy Europeans at the

mineering component is made more formidable by its association with those other habits which have apologetic in its demeanour to-put Germany ahead. Putting it wards its Western allies. It is another way, Germany has more to dominate with. And the people who are liable to be domineered over, if that component again gets out of hand, are the rest of us Europeans.

Of necessity, the domineering component in Germany disappeared from view in 1945. There followed the Bonn era of paisibles moeurs". But a new cra Germany, with its capital in Berlin, will enjoy economic and

financial hegemony in Europe.

Many commentators are suggesting that a Germany united under Bonn's auspices will be the familiar, reassuring federal repub-lic writ large. These commentators believe that the old domineering tendency in the German character. has permanently disappeared. Where domineering is concerned, they argue, modern Germany is a ournt-out case.

Perhaps. But it would be unwise to assume that the united Germany will be, in all its inter-

continuation of the federal republic. Bonn has habitually been descriptial and verged on the unlikely that the united Germany will exhibit those characteristics. In the explosion of national pride that must accompany remaining-tion, the old deferential posture will be felt to be unworthy of the newly arisen Fatherland And from abandoning a deferential posture to assuming a domincering one is a short step.

The German national character is opening in which a united is no worse than those of other nations; indeed, in many ways it is better (if we agree to treat the 42 years of the Third Reich as an absolute aberration). But the ways in which it is better make it exceptionally dangerous when its domineering tendency gets out of hand.

> For these reasons, I think Mrs. Thatcher is right to hold on to as much political sovereignty as possible within an economically united Europe And the French will come round to her point of view, once they find that the German horse is no longer as responsive to its French rider as

Broadcasting House fiddles while the Proms go begging

he season of Henry Wood Promenade Concerts that begins tonight may be the last in a long and honourable tradition. Since 1927, the Proms have had but one paymaster: the BBC. That 63-year rule has been a dictatorship, but a benign and altruistic one. A music controllers has stimulated, shaped and nurtured musical taste, bringing it to a level of sophistication which few in pre-war Britain would have dreamt possible.

By next year, however, the Proms may be up for sale. Not in so many words, of course: the BBC will continue to insist that it is retaining full artistic control, even if business sponsors are invited to pay some of the bills. Nevertheless, the reality is that the Proms will be joining the growing procession of great British institutions
- from Test cricket and the Boat Race to Covent Garden and the Royal Shakespeare Company that owe their continuing exis-tence to their ability to offer, in effect, upmarket advertising hoardings to industry. In that respect, the Proms have one great advantage: every concert is broadcast live, and many are televised.

about businessmen trying to alter the Proms' unique programming mix of tradition and innovation of first-rank performers and young, enthusiastic audiences. Business sponsors of the arts, almost by definition, are not philistines. Most are extremely discerning. Crude interference in artistic matters is rare, provided the artistic partner delivers what is expected. (Whether artists are playing their proper part in society if they deliver only what is expected is a separate issue.) And to their credit, business sponsors have never attempted to hide the fact that they support the arts as a commercial proposition. Money is given in return for prestige, reflected glory and a supposedly caring or enlightened image. Unfortunately, the BBC's

motive for putting the Proms up for sponsorship is rather murkier. At the heart of the matter lies not the future of a concert series. however famous, but a marked division within the BBC about the



Richard Morrison argues that the BBC is sacrificing a great artistic asset to support an orchestral empire nobody needs

nature of its public-broadcasting duty. The Proms, along with Radio 3 and the collection of BBC orchestras spread around London and the regions, represent perhaps the last vestiges of the lofty Reithian tradition. They were established in an era when the BBC had confidence in itself as the nation's cultural pacesetter. They now have to survive in a BBC which is chiefly exercised by the pursuit of audience ratings, telegenic newsreaders, gameshows and soaps.

Even if the current BBC management were still committed to leading our cultural life, it would be hampered by past mismanagement of musical resources. A modern broadcasting organis-ation does not need half a dozen full-size orchestras. The Londonbased BBC Symphony Orchestra competes pointlessly through its

winter season in the Barbican and Festival Hall with four independent London orchestras, all of which usually deliver a great deal more bang for the concert-goer's buck. Similarly, in Manchester the BBC Philharmonic competes for audience loyalty with the Halle, and in Glasgow the BBC Scottish Symphony Orchestra competes with the Scottish National Orchestra. Only the BBC Welsh Symphony Orchestra and the Ulster Orchestra (which is partly financed by the BBC) are serving regions where there would otherwise be no regular professional

orchestral concerts. The last attempt to reform this sprawling orchestral empire, however, was so ineptly handled that it united the music profession and music-lovers against the BBC. That was in 1980, when the corporation announced without

warning the disbandment of five of its 11 orchestras, and served 172 players with dismissal notices. The acrimonious strike that followed was a public-relations disaster for the BBC, and ended in a crushing victory for the Musicians' Union. Since then, BBC management

has been afraid to make any change, however rational, in its inflexible musical ensembles. Yet reform there must be, before the BBC can legitimately rattle the begging-bowl at business sponsors or licence-payers. Too much of the BBC's current musical output is based on the premise that all these salaried orchestras need to be kept busy all the time. The tail is wagging the dog.

It would be tempting to appland the BBC for creating extra revenue for music, were it not that the level of business sponsorship for the arts is disappointingly sluggish.

There are already far more arts organisations classing corporate funding than there are business sponsors to go round; the advent of the BBC in the areas, offering an advertising clout which no other arts company can match, will severely distort the market. A sponsor who is at present courageously supporting a radical theatre company may easily be tempted by the safer rewards of a symphony concert, especially if guaranteed a credit on television. Extra revenue for BBC music may sound a death knell for

on Drummond, the present-BBC controller of music, is an accomplished in fighter and often an inspired impresario. The Proms have prospered under his control, and Radio 3 has broadened its appeal without sacrificing standards or broadcasting "Top 100 Classical Hits" as any commercial classical rival would probably do. His announcement of the possibility of Proms sponsorship has been managed with characteristic presentational flair. The impression given is that sponsorship is necessary if the Proms are to pay their way. But the Proms already pay their

way; it is the s orchestras that constitute the BBC's chief expenditure on music. That is what Proms sponsorship would subsidise. Yet even this figure is small beer in broadcasting and film terms: comparable to one medium-budget feature film. Begrudging that sum, the BBC is prepared to renounce the kudos of being sole benefactor of the

world's greatest music festival. The Proms are a symbol of what makes the BBC different from the independent broadcasters - of the commitment to cultural quality which gives it the right to claim the licence fee. If BBC management is reluctant to continue supporting the Proms unless it can cream off large amounts of business sponsorship in the process, its moral claim on the licence fee is substantially diminished. Moreover, the very quality that would attract any business sponsor to the Proms an enlightened and cultured image is precisely what the BBC itself desperately needs at present. Why share the glory?

Stormont's smart set

he imposing and seemingly impregnable security fence erected a few months ago around Stormont Castle has been breached - not by the IRA or Loyalist paramilitaries but by the security forces, to allow freedom of passage to the inhabitants of six badger sets. Peter Brooke, the Northern Ireland secretary, has let slip the unusual arrangements, designed to make life easier for the animals trapped inside the perimeter fence. Difficulties arose because of the badgers' attachment to favoured routes for their nocturnal forays, a few discreet holes in the fence turning out to be

the only answer. But is this act of kindness to animals courting disaster? Even as Brooke spoke, Democratic Unionists were demonstrating outside the castle gates against the visit of Irish ministers, whose arrival by helicopter Brooke was awaiting on the Stormont lawn. Apparently not: the holes, it is averred, are too small for even the youngest demonstrator to squeeze through. In any case, one wit pointed out, should either Loyalist or republican interlopers gain access they should easily be distinguished from the legitimate users of the holes. Badgers are black and white in appearance: Gerry Adams, Ian Paisley and their partisans merely

see everything that way.
Brooke's insistence that even the demands of security should not impede the badgers' rights of way is perhaps understandable. Brock the Badger features prominently in his family crest.

 Steve Norris, until last weekend the parliamentary private sec-retary to Nicholas Ridley, is making the most of his new-found freedom now that he is no longer on the government's payroll vote. His first act from the backbenches this week was to sign a Laboursponsored motion calling for a ban on foxhunting. His liberty may be short lived. He is widely tipped to be given a job in the mini-shuffle the prime minister is expected to announce next week.

Wolf calls cut

dmitting no last-minute pang of nostalgia, Wolf Mankowitz jettisoned his lifetime collection of film scripts at Sotheby's yesterday, saying: "I didn't abandon the movie industry, it abandoned me." Mankowitz, who has a string of distinguished screenplay credits from the Fifties and Sixties, including many of the James Bond movies, has not featured in any recent Hollywood epics. "I'd be happy to but I don't suit the type of new young director who is making films for people who cat things while they watch," he says.

Included in yesterday's lots, which fetched £10,000, was a bizarre correspondence with Peter Sellers, with whom he attempted to set up a production company 30 years ago. The inaugural meeting was convened by Lord Goodman at the Royal Opera House, with the late Sir David Webster acting as chairman. They sat waiting for Sellers, but instead a handwritten letter arrived announcing he was pulling out: no reason was given.

"It was the first sign of his

mental instability. It developed in

later years, when he was quite barmy," says Mankowitz, who also worked with Sellers on Ca-sino Royale. "He was unbeliev-ably difficult. He refused to appear in any scenes with Orson Welles. It is sad, but I don't think Sellers had any real friends at all."

Was it his disillusionment with the film industry alone which led him to sell his papers? "No." says Mankowitz, who now lives in Cork, "I need the space and the damp Irish climate is slowly destroying the papers anyway."

Roll of honour

he decision to dedicate the first night of the 1990 Proms season this evening to the memory of Sir John Pritchard has delighted the many friends and colleagues of the colourful conductor. Sir John, who died last year, was a noted bon viveur, famous for his sense of fun. Welsh tenor Ryland Davies, who worked with Sir John at Glyndebourne, recalls the conductor's memorable trip to Buckingham Palace in 1983 to receive his knighthood.

- At the time Pritchard was chief conductor at Cologne Opera, and

had driven from Germany for the presentation. "He hated German toilet paper and in preparation for his return trip to Cologne had filled the boot of his Mercedes with boxes of soft British toilet rolls," says Davies. Edging his car into the Palace forecourt he was halted for a security check. The car

boot was opened for inspection and the policeman on duty stared incredulously at six months' supnly of toilet rolls. "Expecting to be a bit nervous, are we sir?"

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Borodin for Britain

ovict artists used to have to defect before moving to Britain No longer. The Boro-din String Quartet is about to ahandon Moscow for the sleepy Suffoik town of Aldeburgh to become artists in residence for two years. They are moving to Aldeburgh in November, lured by the Aldeburgh Foundation, organiser of the famous festival. "They." were particularly attracted by the

plan to do a number of recordings," enthuses Shiela Colvin, the foundation's director. The quartet will hold masterclasses and provide tuition

for young British musicians at the Britten-Pears school, as well as giving concerts spanning Aldeburgh's musical calendar.

Called to book

ost certainly not by royal appointment, the pub-lisher Sidgwick & Jackson has found itself in trouble with Buckingham Palace about a forthcoming biography to mark the 60th birthday of Princess Margaret. Review copies of Margaret-A Woman in Conflict by "expert royal commentator" Paul James were accompanied by a press release boasting about it being an authorised biography. The claim was untrue. This was easily rectified by withdrawal of the press release, but worse was to come. Court officials noticed that the book's glossy pink dustjacket featured a large and unauthorised reproduction of the Princess's autograph. "After discussions, if was agreed that the signature be removed from the cover," says a Palace spokesman; so thousands of jackets had to be shredded.

To cap it all, Christopher Warwick, author of a biography of Princess Margaret that appeared in the early Eighties, discovered an offensive reference to his work and forced the book to be recalled. and the offending page to be removed. Sidgwick should have known better, for it is now Warwick's publisher, too: What is left of James's book will be out town's concert hall, where they next month, disasters permitting.

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A GILDED MOUSE

The prime minister's poll tax committee has laboured mightily and brought forth a mouse. The mouse, however, is solid gold, priced at a glittering £3.2 billion next year. This money, partly to pay for yet more reliefs and exceptions to poll taxes and partly to bribe local councils to keep the basic tax down next year, was never envisaged as part of the original community charge. Nor was it part of last year's costly, and apparently final, set of transitional concessions. This is the third set of such concessions, and increases transitional relief next year over this. Temporary spending is seeming ever more permanent.

The money, which represents an inflationary 12.8 per cent annual rise in central support to local government, is a straightforward sweetener to allay last autumn's Tory backbench anxiety over the tax. There is no conceivable public spending justification for such largess, especially now that the government has backed off its community care reforms. The environment secretary, Chris Patten, has been compelled to accept this year's high local spending as a basis for next year's grant: something that was unlikely were it not for his desperation to reduce poll tax.

Had the tax not been in place, government could reasonably have blamed rising spending on irresponsible councils and left local accountability to do its work. The poll tax was supposed to achieve this, but the cabinet's nerve has failed. It will keep charge capping to relieve left-wing councils of the responsibility (and unpopularity) of making their own budget decisions. Mr Patten yesterday had to parrot his prime minister's fixation with capping: thus offering the left-wingers two political carrots and no stick. Since much of the immediate political anguish has now passed, though without detracting from the wrongness of the tax, the money must be vulnerable to the charge of total waste.

Although these figures are easily lost in a mist of noughts, the amount of the £3.2 billion which can be ascribed to keeping poll taxes

down (as opposed to meeting unavoidable inflation) in the next election year is probably over £2 billion. This is worth almost 2p on income tax. A measure of the panic the poll tax has produced in the ranks of the government is that the Chancellor should so casually concede sums of huge political value. He could have cut income tax, or doubled his spending on roads, or built the Channel tunnel high-speed link. This concession will cost more in a year than all public spending on universities in Britain.

Will the public thank the Tories for such a generous tax cut? As Mr Patten has reiterated, in ubiquitous private wailings about the awfulness of the poll tax, most of the money will merely go to sustaining the spending but reducing the taxes of spendthrift councils. They will claim the credit. His attempt to target some £500 million of the relief to poll tax losers is sensible, but with four million more coming into relief, this will diminish accountability yet further. It will also perpetuate the tax's most serious defect, its high cost of

Such has been the hysteria surrounding this tax that few have stopped to wonder if all this money could not have been better spent, if it had to be spent at all. The cabinet has preempted the bulk of extra pre-election spending in 1991-2, money that might have gone on the electorally appealing health or education

The economy is now passing through its first serious recession since the early 1980s. Tax revenues may be boosted by inflation but so too will the pressure to increase spending. The growth bouyancy that might have made room for pre-election generosity is not there. The government is in a recessionary bind at the wrong moment in the electoral cycle. It can only boost real spending next year by going back on its commitment to reduce the public sector. The cabinet has now sacrificed more room for manoeuvre to alleviate its worst selfinflicted wound.

REALISM IN CAMBODIA

The announcement by the US secretary of state, James Baker, of Washington's abrupt decision to abandon America's long obsession with isolating Vietnam and to open talks with Hanoi on a Cambodian settlement offers the first serious hope of depriving the Khmer Rouge of their second reign of terror. The Soviet Union played its part last year by securing a Vietnamese withdrawal from Cambodia. The US has at last realised that its anti-Vietnamese strategy might usher back one of post-war history's most murderous regimes.

Dramatic as is the shift in policy, the precise timing was almost as important as the substance. The decision was made public at the end of two hours of talks in Paris not, as might have been expected, with Washington's Western allies, but with Mr Baker's Soviet opposite number, Eduard Shevardnadze.

reats a nattern in regional policing by the superpowers which has already paid dividends in southwest Africa, and could yet be used in Afghanistan, the Horn of Africa and, - who knows? - even in the Middle East. Where the US and the Soviet Union find it convenient to use the United Nations, either the Security Council, or UN mediators, they do. But the essential bargains are bilaterally struck. If the UN is now said to be "working better", that is thanks to this quiet

condominium. This phenomenon is much resented by some Third World countries, accustomed to blaming Cold War rivalries for the UN's impotence. They now criticise the superpowers for working together. Their diplomats at the UN have castigated the new "bilateral triumphalism", complaining that the all-member General Assembly has been marginalised.

In Paris, the US and the Soviet Union have committed themselves to isolating the Khmer Rouge by jointly guaranteeing a deal between the noncommunist Cambodian resistance and the Phnom Penh government of Hun Sen. Implicitly, this recognises the need to bypass the two existing routes to a settlement,

explored with little success by a series of peace conferences and meetings between the five permanent members of the Security Council, including one this week.

The first was aimed at persuading the three resistance factions dominated by the Khmer Rouge to join the Phnom Penh government in "national reconciliation". That was always a chimera. The Khmer Rouge, militarily strong and interested only in absolute power, have sabotaged every effort at mediation, and Cambodia's former head of state, Prince Sihanouk, has vacillated, not daring to abandon his alliance with his former persecutors without cast-iron external support. That support is now on offer, making a deal without the Khmer Rouge a possibility.

The second route has centred on an Australian plan for the UN to take over Cambodia pending free elections. That foundered on the quest for unanimity between the five permanent members of the Security Council, giving China, which arms and bankrolls the Khmer Rouge, a veto.

Secure in US (and British) hostility to Vietnam and "puppet" Cambodian regime, China has filibustered, insisting that the Khmer Rouge must agree to any settlement. China's bluff has now been called. So has Prince Sihanouk's: if stopping the Khmer Rouge means recognising the Hun Sen regime, even that is no longer totally precluded.

Co-operation between the US and the Soviet Union, whose rivalry has inflicted so much suffering on Indochina, could now shortcircuit diplomatic niceties to impose peace. Time is short: the Khmer Rouge are not yet at Phnom Penh's gates, but the Cambodian regime is fast losing ground. If talks with Hanoi convince the US that Hun Sen is preferable to the return of the Khmer Rouge, that will not be the "grave injustice" denounced by Prince Sihanouk from his guesthouse in Pyongyang, but the product of a new, constructive realism in superpower diplomacy.

GOOD FOR BRITAIN

For the last decade ICL, Britain's only major computer manufacturer, has clearly needed to be taken over for its own good. In 1981, ICL signed a technology agreement with Fujitsu under which the Japanese company gave ICL access to its microchip developments. Without these microchips, ICL would not be in the shape it is in today and might not be there at all. From ICL's point of view the time has come to rationalise the relationship; from Fujitsu's, to establish a good bridgehead in the European Community. What is good for ICL is also good for Britain. Nor need it be bad for Ецгове.-

The present managing director of ICL has been seeking closer links with a major partner for most of the eighties. He has spoken with virtually every major computer manufacturer in the world. He has concluded that the financial, technological and commercial strength of Fujitsu will give ICL a secure place in the world computer market in the year 2000 and beyond.

ICL needs to be bigger than the British market alone can support. The mighty "big blue", IBM, sets computing standards here and across Europe and ICL has to fight to fill any gaps left. Those are not large enough in Britain to support the level of research and development required to stay alive. If Britain is to have a computer industry at all, it needs the backing of a multi-national in the same industry.

Despite the logic of the proposed takeover, there will be voices raised against it. In Europe, the takeover will be seen as yet another Japanese Trojan horse towed within the EC fortress. Rival European manufacturers fear that ICL will become an assembly point for essentially Japanese products. Fujitsu printers, disk drives and other peripheral equipment will, they fear, flood the market. European computer manufacturers are already finding life tough, forcing them into defensive mergers of their own. They are likely to lobby hard for this takeover to be kicked into touch.

If Fujitsu wished merely to protect one of its customers for microchips, it would have no need to mount an expensive takeover. It has bigger fish to fry. Fujitsu wishes to increase its penetration of European markets, and ICL is a Troian horse already the right side of the gate. Leaving a proportion of ICL shares in the hands of the present British owner, STC, will cement relationships with that company too, offering potential access to the European telecommunications markets.

Those European objections do not make a case for stopping the takeover. ICL is a major employer both of direct labour and of subcontractors. It is a significant supplier of computer hardware to the public sector and to commerce in this country and, to a lesser extent, abroad. There are many customers, companies and employees needing ICL to survive and prosper. Fujitsu has shown by its patient courtship that it is a long-term player which has judged the time right to take over a most important company. STC has judged that the time is right to bring in a suitable partner for itself and parent for ICL, as it has neither the financial nor the technological resources to

nourish ICL into the next century on its own. There is no threat to British national interests here. Giving a route into Europe for the Japanese and Americans is excellent business for Britain, where advantages of language and a tradition in new technology make the leap to Britain an easier one than it might be to continental Europe. Brussels' commercial chauvinism and Euro-protectionism are the unacceptable face of the EC. "Welcome" is a far better message at the gates of Europe than "EC passport holders only".

'Acts of God' not what they seem

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Water supplies in perspective Association of British Insurers

From the President of the Institution of Water and Environmental Management

Sir, Groundwater levels mainly depend on the antecedent weather pattern and are only partly influenced by the degree of abstrac-tion. The current abstraction rates are no greater than at the same time last year and the loss of water through leakage is generally less this year than in previous years, following intensive efforts and expenditure on waste control and the start of a programme of mains

For Simon Hughes, environ-ment spokesman of the Liberal Democrats, to describe the loss as "scandalous" (report, July 16) is to display his ignorance of the situation. As the Chairman of the Water Services Association has pointed out, the cost of controlling leakage and reducing it to an acceptable level requires enormous expenditure. This can only be justified by real shortage of vater resources in areas such as the Channel Islands, where water

is a scarce commodity.

In most areas of the United Kingdom this is not the case, and the expenditure on replacement and repair of mains has to be justified in economic terms. For the same reason it is doubtful if installation of water meters will lead to any significant reduction in use, which in any case would only be temporary and at an enormous cost to the country in initial capital

cost and ongoing maintenance. The water industry is now subject to detailed monitoring by the Office of Water Services and the Drinking Water Inspectorate, in regard to their levels of service in both quantity and quality. Independent assessors have been appointed to examine, assess and report on the work being carried out. As an assessor, I am pleased to report that the water company am involved with in this respect is providing a good service to its customers. I believe this is true generally of the water industry as a whole.

The institution is preparing position papers on matters affecting water supplies, and with nearly 11,000 members represents the largest group of people in the water industry across the public and private sectors.

Yours faithfully B. H. ROFE. President, The Institution of Water and Environmental Management. C/o Rofe Kennard & Lapworth, Raffety House, 2 Sutton Court Road, Sutton, Surrey. July 18.

Cot deaths

From Mrs Gillian Bathurst Sir, The findings of recent inport, July 13) suggest that overheating through poor body ventilation may be a contributing factor, mentioning over-wrapping. duvets and/or heated rooms as possible causes. The current cus-tom of encasing babies from neck to enclosed feet in garments made of 100 per cent man-made fibre may

be an added contributory factor. When shopping for yarns to make baby clothes one is offered a huge range made of 100 per cent acrylic, nylon, polyester etc. It is very difficult to track down suitable baby yarn which contains a percentage of wool and which is machine washable. In earlier times babies were clothed in materials made mostly of natural fibres which allowed for body ventilation.

Yours faithfully GILLIAN BATHURST. Appletree Cottage, Box, Minchinhampton, Gloucestershire. July 17.

Credit where due From Mr Peter Black

Sir, Few things are more exasperating than to be left off a list of achievers that you ought to be on. reference ("Step on the gaslight"

refer to Jeremy Kingston's July 11) to stage directors of the mid-1950s, "when to become a director a man really had to be called Peter".

Mr Kingston went on to name every Peter who was around the theatre at that time except Peter Cotes, who was one of the most active and successful directors. At one stage - I should say at three stages - Peter Cotes had productions running simultaneously in the West End: Wilfrid Lawson in The Father (Arts), Joan Miller in The Man (Her Majesty's and St Martin's) and Richard Attenborough in The Mousetrap (Ambassadors). Yours faithfully,

PETER BLACK 7 The Avenue, Wraysbury, Berkshire.

Germany's success From Lord Croham

Sir. Surely the sensible response to Germany's economic success is not to rail against it, but to analyse its causes and see if there are any lessons to be learnt.

The Anglo-German Foundation for the Study of Industrial Society. set up in 1973 at the initiative of a German President, Gustav Heinemann, has been commissioning comparative Anglo-German studies in the economic and social area for the past 17 years, bringing British and German researchers together to look at areas such as vocational training, unemployment, small firms, innovation. regional policy, housing, planning and environmental protection. The foundation is also financially

and organisationally involved in high-level Anglo-German conterences such as Konigswinter and the annual conference of the British-German Parliamentary Group.

Not all the lessons run one way. For example, it was German experts who came away with British lessons from recent foundation seminars on smoking at work, information services for industry and local economic development initiatives. In many areas, such as training, industrial relations and poliution control. the Germans do seem to be ahead. But the clearest message from these comparisons is that both

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struck the couple had a heart attack which was not predictable

and this was the sole cause of the

Whether these matters are legiti-

mate cases under the European

Convention on Human Rights I

cannot say. It is a social and political decision whether we in-

troduce no-fault compensation in

this country.
If no-fault liability is introduced

solely for road traffic accidents, as

Justice is reported as seeking, then

there is a certain injustice in that a

man will receive compensation if

he is accidentally injured at the

wheel of a car or as a passenger in a

motor vehicle but get no compensation if he falls off a

ladder while cleaning the windows

Alternatively, and perhaps fairer, would be a comprehensive system of no-fault liability backed

by some form of private or state

insurance scheme. The additional

cost in terms of tax or insurance

premiums, is a matter which has

been long debated, but it is really a

question whether society is pre-

pared to pay more, in tax, national

insurance or private insurance

premiums, to ensure that injured

parties receive due compensation independently of whether they can

prove someone to be responsible.

A. J. PECK (organiser, Liability Special Interest Group,

The Chartered Insurance Institute, 20 Aldermanbury, EC2.

Sir, if an insurance company

should inadvisedly plead act of God as a basis for declining a

payment to an injured party, what

they really mean is that the

accident was just "one of those things" and that there was no

blame on their policyholder. If I

have not been negligent I do not ex-

pect my insurance company to pay.

in favour of a no-fault scheme, and I wish Justice well in their

campaign; but until one exists I can only recommend that every-

accident policy, which will pro-

vide an automatic payment to the

the premiums are remarkably

Bramhall, Stockport, Cheshire.

retrenchment, fostered the view

that this area of study could be

Closure of Russian language

denartments under the Atkinson

report (1979) and the seniority of

early appointees in politics and

staff. The paucity of replacement

posts is a factor in the diminution

of doctoral candidates: a survey of

UK universities showed only one

ence and Technology has just

alerted the Government to the

general inadequacy of numbers in graduate training; the position in

Soviet and East European studies

is even more parlous, but it can be

rectified more cheaply.

The £100,000 for three years just offered by the Prime Minister

is necessary pump-priming, but government and business should

assess their longer-term invest-

ment in the perspective of commercial and scholarly ex-

changes with 400 million people.

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MICHAEL KASER (President,

Slavonic and East European Studies).

Sir, Where does the president-elect of the Law Society (July 13)

find this nonsense about "the

political obligation to produce judges that reflect the make-up of

litigants alike look essentially for

impartiality and fairness, human-

ity and courtesy, intellectual ca-pacity and professional expertise.

Introducing considerations of

"representativeness" into judicial

selection may at first satisfy a few

lobbyists, but it is likely to

produce second-class judges who

will, inevitably, deliver second-

Accused persons and private

British Association for Soviet,

St Antony's College, Oxford.

Judicial selection

From his Honour Judge

Yours faithfully.

Victor Watts

our society?"

class justice.

July 13.

Yours faithfully,

VICTOR WATTS,

28 Abinger Road, Bedford Park, W4.

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The Advisory Council on Sci-

working on the Soviet economy.

onomics have left an ageing

cheap, and so they are.

MICHAEL WILSON,

allowed to decline.

Yours faithfully

47 Seal Road,

July 18.

Perhaps there is much to be said

Yours faithfully,

Society of Fellows),

From Mr M. J. Wilson

July 18.

of his home.

against the driver.

From the Chief Executive of the

Sir. Contrary to the impression given in your report (July 18). there are no insurance industry "rules" which prevent accident. victims being awarded compensation where the cause is deemed "to be an act of God". Indeed "act of God" does not appear in insurance policies.

Two main types of insurance policies may apply in the case of accidents. First, when there is a specific policy, such as a personal accident insurance, the insurance company will pay out regardless of fault. Secondly, there are liability policies where a payment is made if a legal liability is established. caused, for example, by negligence. It is necessary to establish the legal liability for a payment to

Insurance policies reflect the law of this country, and currently UK law makes someone legally liable for an accident if they are at fault. This applies whether or not either party has any insurance cover. If there were a change in law to introduce a no-fault compensation scheme insurance companies would arrange policies and pay claims on the new basis. but the public would ultimately have to pay for the increased claims through higher premiums.

Yours faithfully, M. A. JONES, Chief Executive, Association of British Insurers, Aldermary House, 10-15 Queen Street, EC4. July 18.

From Mr A. J. Peck Sir, Mark Chapman, you report, has suffered serious injuries as a result of a tree falling in a storm, causing him to swerve and hit a lamp post. As the law stands at present he may

l. Claim under a personal accident insurance policy taken out either by himself or on his behalf by his employers.

2. Sue the owner of the tree which fell, although he would have to prove negligence or nuisance. That would normally mean lack of maintenance or some defect in the tree, as opposed to the ravages of the storm.

3. Sue his employers for negligence in sending him out in a van in a serious storm. This is unlikely to succeed unless the storm was of extreme ferocity.

Presumably no other vehicle was involved and unless Mr Chapman can find someone to sue who is legally liable to him he will obtain no compensation.

So far as the Sandles are concerned, if the driver who

Soviet studies From Mr Michael Kaser

Sir. Even a year ago it was unthinkable that the Soviet govemment would open its books to Western investigation. This outcome of the Houston summit is an assurance that much more economic information will become available for Western and Soviet business and academic analysis after half a century of concealment and distortion.

At the moment, when political, social and historical revelations are also accumulating from the USSR and the resurgent democracies of East Europe, we see - as the Wooding report (November 1989) puts it - a "contraction and continuing erosion of resources in the field of Russian, Soviet and East European studies". Its authors have reiterated in your columns (June 29) that provision still falls very short of the national

Once it was the exigencies of the Cold War; today it is the challenge of abruptly new East-West relationships. Bursts of public funding in 1947 and 1961 had built up a body of academic expertise. Subsequently the apparent stasis of East Europe and the USSR, at a time of public-sector

Rank outsiders

From Mr P. J. Solan

Sir, In today's list of birthdays in The Times I note that there are no fewer than three air chief marshals and even a further Air Marshal the Rev..., making four in all. The Army has a mere major-general supported with a downright lowly colonel (although it must be noted that the colonel was also the

Powys). As for the poor "Senior Service", there are no representatives at all. Does this mean that there is a surfeit of air marshals and shortages of field marshals and admirals of the fleet, or is the week ending July 14-15 a good time for

former Lord Lieutenant of

air marshals? Yours faithfully, P. J. SOLAN, 23A High Street, South Norwood, SE25. July 14.

> countries are facing major challenges in Europe, east and west. and would do well to work together.

It may be of interest that in an opinion poll commissioned by the foundation last year 35 per cent of the British respondents said the country they felt closest to was Germany, while only 20 per cent of the Germans felt closest to Britain. But in the foundation's experience. Britons and Germans invariably work together in a warm and cordial atmosphere. I trust that the events of the past few days will prove nothing more than a small temporary blip.

Yours faithfully, CROHAM (Chairman, Anglo-German Foundation for the Study of Industrial Society). 17 Bloomsbury Square. WCI. July 16.

Baptismal check on church entry

From Mr Frank Field, MP for Birkenhead (Labour) accident no negligence can be laid

Sir, Clifford Longley is right to sound more than a note of warning to the Anglican Church ("Back-to-font reasoning", July 14). The zealots for strict baptism seek to control entry into the Church of England.

The debate over baptism is an example of how one group faces the decline of religious adherence in this country. Rather than face up to the difficult duty of continuing the Anglican Church's mission to the English nation, the strict baptismalists direct attention away from the nation and into the Church. To their credit some of this group realise that that is what they are doing and attempt to justify it by saying that, only by building up a hard core of committed Christians, can the mission to the English nation

begin once more. Yet the historic role of the Anglican Church has to be pursued now rather than in the future. One link the clergy do have with the outside world is at times of baptism and burial. Many clergy say that these are the two last regular contacts with their parishioners and provide them with what is their only chance for evangelism. By tapping into what Clifford Longley refers to as folk religion they accept that the mysterious way God works isn't always confined by the crudities of

human language. When one of my constituents asked his local vicar to baptise his baby son the vicar refused on the grounds that the father didn't believe. My constituent's response was, why should his inability to believe - he wished that it was

otherwise - penalize his son? This response by an un-employed father showed that he understands more about the incorporating nature of God's love and the meaning of the Church than those who had been given the responsibility for the cure of souls of that parish.

Yours faithfully one effects his or her own personal FRANK FIELD House of Commons. July 16. policyholder in the event of accident regardless of fault. Your insurance broker will tell you that

From Mr Frank Williams Sir, I hope that when the newly elected General Synod come to discuss the question of Christian initiation Clifford Longley will be proved wrong in his suggestion that the Church is in the process of withdrawing the service of haptism from the general community, thus restricting it to those who are members of the local congregation.

It is all too easy to dismiss parents seeking baptism for their child as indulging in folk religion. superstition, or even the desire for a social occasion. Surely, however, the essence of a sacrament is that it is something through which God acts, and it is this action by God which the parents, however vaguely, are seeking.

In the Prayer Book service of baptism the godparents are told that Christ has promised to grant to the child the things for which they have prayed, which promise he, for his part, will most surely keep and perform." If this is the case, can we really deny these things, given through the sac-rament, to any child who, through his or her parents, asks for them?

Yours faithfully, FRANK WILLIAMS. 31 Manor Park Crescent, Edgware, Middlesex.

Summoned by bells

From the Reverend G. S. Robinson Sir. I am always delighted to welcome visiting bell-ringers to my church (letters, July 14). A more loyal or hard-working band would be hard to find anywhere. Usually they are even available to do jobs for which few others have any inclination, like cutting grass or tidying churchyards.

Bell-ringing involves hard work and regular attendance without fail, for if one member is missing there is no team to ring. It also involves unfailing attendance at a weekly practice and a visit to other towers involves giving up a day or a week with the family.

I am, your faithfully, GORDON S. ROBINSON, 18 North Street, Stoke-sub-Hamdon, Somerset,

July 17.

Battle long ago From Professor Emeritus Sir Alan Harris, FEng

Sir, The battle aspect of medieval football (letter, July 12) brings to mind a football match played in autumn, 1942, on Chatham Lines, a hilltop plateau approximately 700m. x 700m., by two teams of 120 each from 7 Training Battalion Royal Engineers. I was a subaltern and organised the match.

There were two goals, six footballs, eight NCO referees; the intention, highly successful, was to simulate battle.

Tactics varied: some formed tight knots of a dozen and forced their way through with the ball in the middle; a lot just kicked and ran; others packed the goal mouth. The successful team combined all

Scores on both sides approached three figures after approximately 90 minutes' play, It was very instructive, but totally exhausting. No one left barracks that night.

Yours etc. ALAN HARRIS. 128 Ashley Gardens Thirleby Road, SWI. July 12.

COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE July 19: His Excellency Monsieur Sandi Yacouba was received in audience by The Queen and presented the Letters of Recall of his predecessor and his own Letters of Credence as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary from the Republic of Niger to the Court

of St James's.
His Excellency was accompanied by the following member of the Embassy: Monsieur Mahamane Kondo (Second Secretary, Protocol). Madame Sandi was also

received by Her Majesty. Sir Patrick Wright (Perma-nent Under-Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs) was present and the Household in Waiting were in

attendance. Mr Michael Atkinson (Her Majesty's Ambassador Extraor-dinary and Plenipotentiary at Bucharest) and Mrs Atkinson were received by The Queen. The Lieutenant-Governor of

British Columbia and Mrs Lam were received by The Queen. The Queen and The Duke of The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh gave an Afternoon Party in the Garden of Buckingham Palace.

The Princess of Wales, The Princess Royal, and Princess Alexandra, the Hon Lady Ogilvy, and the Hon Sir Angus

Ogilvy were present. Her Majesty's Body Guard of the Honourable Corps of Gentlemen at Arms and The Queen's Body Guard of the Yeomen of the Guard were on

duty.
The Bands of the Coldstream Guards and the Royal Air Force College, Cranwell played selections of music during the

The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh this evening attended a Gala Performance at the London Palladium to mark the 90th Birthday of Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother. The Duchess of Grafton and

the Right Hon Sir William Heseltine were in attendance. By command of The Queen. the Viscount Long (Lord in Waiting) was present at Heath-row Airport, London this after-(Mr Michael Bevan). noon upon the departure of the Governor-General of Belize and bade farewell to Her Excellency attendance.

on behalf of Her Majesty. This morning the Duchess of York opened the new Police Southern Support and Training

Headquarters at Netley.
This afternoon Her Royal
Highness opened The Rapids Leisure Centre at Romsey. Her Royal Highness was received by Her Majesty's Vice-Lord Lieutenant for Hampshire (General Sir David Fraser,

GCB, OBE, DL).

Mrs John Floyd and Captain
Alexander Baillie-Hamilton Alexander Bailing The Princess
This morning The Princess
Royal, Patron, SENSE, the
National Deaf-Blind and

Rubella Association, visited SENSE Headquarters, 311 Gray's Inn Road, London. Afterwards Her Royal Highness, President, Council for National Academic Awards, opened the Council's newly refurbished offices, 344-354 ment of D. Gray's Inn Road, London.
In the evening Her Royal Highness, Patron, took the Congregations ment of D. University of L. Mrs Peter Wighness, Patron, took the in attendance.

salute at the Royal Tournament Earls Court, London.

Mrs Caroline Wallace was in

attendance. CLARENCE HOUSE July 19: Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother this morning at Clarence House received Addresses of Congratulation on her 90th Birthday from the House of Lords and the House of Commons, to which Her Majesty was graciously pleased

to make reply.

Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother was present this evening at a Gala Performance at the London Palladium. The Lady Grimthorpe, the Earl of Dalbousic and Sir

Martin Gilliat were in KENSINGTON PALACE July 19: The Prince of Wales, Patron, Marylebone Health Centre, received Dr Patrick

His Royal Highness. President of the International Council of United World Colleges, received Sir Albert Stoman (Chairman of the International Board). The Prince of Wales,

President, Prince's Trust, held a reception.
The Princess of Wales, Patron, Help the Aged, visited the Golden Years Club. I Alten-burg Gardens, Battersea, SWII. Subsequently Her Royal Highness, Patron, Turning Point, visited the charity's Alcohol Advisory Service at 1-3 Featherstone Terrace, Southall,

Middlesex. Lieutenant-Commander Pat-rick Jephson, RN, was in attendance. KENSINGTON PALACE July 19: The Princess Margaret,

Countess of Snowdon was present this evening at a Gala Performance at the London Palladium. The Hon Mrs Wills was in

KENSINGTON PALACE July 19: The Duchess of Gloucester today visited the East of England Agricultural Show, Peterborough, and was received by Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for Cambridgeshire (Mr. Michael Ream)

Mrs Michael Wigley was in

YORK HOUSE ST JAMES'S PALACE July 19: The Duke of Kent this morning opened the National Trust's Souter Lighthouse, Marsden, South Shields and later opened the Seaburn Centre, Seaburn, Sunderland; His Royal Highness was received on arrival by Colonel J. W. Dowdeswell (Vice-Lord

Lieutenant of Type and Wear). This afternoon His Royal Highness, Vice-Chairman of the British Overseas Trade Board, visited the Wearside Training Enterprise Council's Ryhope Training Centre, Ryhope the industry Centre at Sunderland Polytechnic. Commander Roger Walker,

The Duchess of Kent, Chancellor, today presided at Congregations for the Conferment of Degrees at the University of Leeds.

Mrs Peter Wilmot-Sitwell was

ANDRÉ CHASTEL

Andrè Chastel, the French art historian, died on July 18 of cancer, aged 77. He was born on November 15, 1912.

ANDRÉ Chastel brought many French virtues to his chosen area of study, Italian art in the age of humanism, both in his teaching at the Sorbonne and in the many books, ranging in depth from scholarly to popularising, for which he provided the text. It is a measure of his international recognition that practically all of them were translated into Italian - except for his most scholarly, on Marsilio Ficino, which is the key to much of his thought.

He was, in keeping with French academic style, heavily fact-minded. These qualities provided, in 1956, two volumes on Italian art to the Larousse series, Arts, Styles, et Techniques, essential compilations for examination-passing. They were translated into English in 1963. Chastel was also sensitive

and intelligent, as revealed in his book on Botticelli published in 1958. He was sophisticated, supplying a cultural guide to Paris in 1971 for the series published in English by Thames & Hudson. He could also write simply: his most prolific years coincided with the rise of the international art-book with lavish illustrations and authoritative text, pionecred in Britain by Thames & Hudson, and he personal investigations to reprovided several books on the Italian Renaissance for them. He was wide-ranging in his



veal ideas and impulses behind the art of the time.

terest from the 1930s in the figure of Marsilio Ficino. Cosimo de' Medici's ap-But the profundity of pointed leader of the Floren-

of Ficino's philosphy on art, Marcel Ficin et l'Art of 1954. The Council of Europe's 1955 exhibition on the theme of the age of humanism in Europe from 1480 to 1530 drew from Chastel a text, published in English by Thames & Hudson in 1964, which gives a clue as to Chastel's personal belief in the significance of these years which followed on the publication of Ficino's treatises and letters; and Chastel's Myth of the Renaissance (1420-1500) published by Skira in 1969 was a fine publication, combining high quality in its illustrations with a text both wide-ranging and profound which sought a unity and harmony in the whole thought of the Renais-sance. Chastel's most recent writing was on the sack of Rome by the troops of Charles V in 1527, and the fate of its art treasures.

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André Chastel was a member of several important French government cultural committees in the late 1970s and early 1980s he was involved in compiling an inventory of historic monuments and art treasures in France; since 1988 he had been vice-president of a coincil which advised administrators of national museums on acquisitions. Subsequent to a report by him, in 1984; that British and American art-historical studies had outstripped the French, came the implementation in 1989 of a national art library bringing together material from across intellectual curiosity, as seen Chastel's thought and his tine Academy. Chastel France. Chastel also wrote in his The Studios and Styles most individual contribution followed Marcel's biography numerous articles on a wide to art scholarship are keyed to of Ficino, and the researches range of cultural issues for Le. 1500, where he followed his the re-awakened scholarly in-

KARL MENNINGER

Karl Menninger, American psychiatrist, who, with his father, founded the clinic in Kansas that bears the family name, died aged 96. in Topeka, Kansas, on July 18. He was born on July 22, 1893.

GENERALLY recognised as the father of American psychiatry, Karl Menninger founded a school which, as a result of his own deep admiration for Freud, aimed at implanting strongly psychoanalytical habits of mind in its trainees. But he was a man whose activities and influence went far beyond the merely clinical application of his speciality. His work was often controversial and challenged many popular assumptions. He was an early critic of the principles of prison sentencing, and many of his other concerns, such as child abuse and the search for world peace, spilled over into the social sphere.

Menninger was born into an oldestablished Topeka family, the eldest of three sons of a medical practitioner. He decided to follow his father and graduated from Harvard Medical School, returning to Kansas City to do the American equivalent of house appointments, before joining private practice.

He gradually became what was then known as a "nerve specialist". From the outset Menninger's aim was to prove that those who were then regarded as the "insane" could be treated. To this end he and his father founded the Menninger Clinic in a two-storey frame building in Topeka in 1925. They were soon joined by Karl's brother William. In 1941 the Menningers set up the Menninger Foundation whose influence on Ameri-

can psychiatry soon became marked. One of Menninger's early preoccupa-tions was with the plight of people in prison, and it was to remain so. He had a profound sympathy for prison immates, and his book *The Crime of Punishment* was an impassioned attack on the base philosophy of incarceration, whether as a deterrent - since, as he pointed out, most released prisoners returned to custody sooner or later, apparently not having learned their lesson — or as a moral response. Only in the case of the incurably violent could be countenance custody as a means of protecting society.

At first his views outraged the conservative. But it was not long before he was widely respected, and in later years he was often called to appear at Kansas legislative hearings on the question of reintroducing the death penalty. What he heard at these hearings gradually confirmed him in his opinion of supporters of capital punishment and convinced him that their stance often had little moral content: "They feel it's cheaper just kill them and get them out of the way." He often recalled the experience of visiting a soldier inmate of Fort Leavenworth who had been sentenced to death, but then been found to be mentally ill, so the sentence could not be carried out. Menninger was periodically called in to confirm the man's mental illness, on the offchance that the man now qualified to have the sentence carried out, "If he got

well they wanted to kill him. That's the most absurd case I ever heard of. They thought it was absurd, too, but that was

the rule." Menninger was apt to be forceful in expounding any belief he held deeply. Indeed the excitability of his temperament often alarmed those who met him for the first time. But his hot temper stemmed from a genuine passion to ameliorate the human condition, and from the lapses into despair that this laudable aim must so often be frustrated. As he often admitted he was apt to tilt at windmills, yet he liked to think that even among his wilder sorties in the realms of thought, there might be a kernel of something true or useful. He lived to see much of what he castigated in the prison system in the 1920s enacted in the penal reforms of the 1940s and 1950s, and the change in practices and conditions in mental institutions that took place in his lifetime owed much to his ideas.

One of his first publications was The Human Mind in 1930, and he continued writing prolifically. Among his works are: Man against Himself (1938), The are: Man against Himself (1938), The chair of physiology at Univers sections of endocrinology and Psychodynamics of Abnormal behaviour sity College, London, Parkes of comparative medicine of (with J. F. Brown, 1940), A Manual for Psychiatric Case Study (1952, 1956), and Whatever Became of Sin? (1973). In 1976 he was left quite badly paralysed after an operation for the removal of a brain tumour, but with dogged determination he fought his way back to near normality in a manner which astonished even those associates who were well acquainted with his character.

SIR ALAN PARKES

Sir Alan Sterling Parkes, CBE, took a prominent part. He had FRS, who was Professor of the a brilliantly clear analytical Physiology of Reproduction at mind, a lively sense of hung. Cambridge University from our and a caused tongue, so that his comments were often July 17. He was born on devastating and always September 10, 1900.

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cells, tissues and whole ani-mals at low temperatures. He played a leading part in notable contributions to make developing the technique of aspects of reproductive storing and transporting at physiology, throwing light in spermatozoa for artificial the nature and forms. spermatozoa for artificial ingrafting. He and his associates showed that small rodents temperatures of a range of 0° to 10 C, temperatures 150 C; below that at which the heart beat and respiratory move-ments are arrested, and that, after an interval of as much as 90 minutes, the heart and breathing could be restarted and the animal revived, without showing apparent physiological or psychological impairment.

The younger son of E. T. Parkes, he was educated at Willaston School and at-Christ's College, Cambridge, graduating in 1921. He was already interested in problems of reproduction, having come under the influence of F. H. A. Marshall at Christ's, and had published an essay on sex heredity in *Science Progress*. Professor A. V. Hill, at that time in the Chair of Physiology at Manchester, was im-pressed and gave him the opportunity to work on the nammalian sex-ratio in his laboratory. There followed, in quick succession, a series of papers on various aspects of and became an honorary felthe sex-ratio, columnating in a low in 1970.

Parkes played a prominent 1926, which did much to part in the foundation of both clarify the confused literature the Society for Endocrinology.

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ones in 1956 and 1960. Parkes remained at the national institute until 1961. when he became the first holder of the Mary Marshall and Arthur Walton chair of the physiology of reproduc-tion at Cambridge, which he relinquished on reaching retirmg age. He also held a professorial fellowship at Christ's from 1961 to 1969,

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stimulating society Parkes son and two daughters.

Forthcoming | Marriage marriages Mr P.M. Ambler and Miss S.M. Gibbons

The engagement is announced between Paul, son of Mr and Mrs Roy Ambler, of Opononi, Northland, New Zealand, and Susannah, daughter of Mr and Mrs Peter Gibbons, of Newbury, Berkshire.

Mr S.M. Burn and Miss J.M. Grotrian The engagement is announced between Mark, younger son of Mr and Mrs G. Raymond Burn, of Copmanthorpe, York, and Jane, elder daughter of Commander and Mrs P.B. Grotrian, of Crayke, North

Mr J.A. Hall and Miss A.L. Tytherleigh the engagement is announced between John, son of Colonel and Mrs T.A. Hali, of Chischampton, Oxford, and Anne, daughter of Mr C. Etherlich of Vertex Sell and Sell an

Tytherleigh, of London, SW1, and Mrs H.S. Tytherleigh, of Southrepps, Norfolk. Mr J.J. Huber and Miss L.E. Tillman

The engagement is announced between Justin Jean, son of Mr and Mrs Jean Huber, of New Malden, Surrey, and Laetitia Elizabeth, daughter of the late Mrs E.A. Tillman and of Dr Peter Tiliman and stepdaughter of Mrs S. Tiliman, of Jersey,

Mr A.C. Pumphrey and Miss J.E. Blackett The engagement is announced between Andrew, younger son of Mr and Mrs Christopher

or Mr and Mrs Christopher Pumphrey, of Bolam West Houses, Middleton, Morpeth, Northumberland, and Juliet, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Pat Blackett, of Whalton, Morpeth, Northumberland.

Mr P.A. Rodgers and Miss C.F.H. Grigg

the engagement is announced between Paul, son of Mr and Mrs C. Rodgers, of Knightswood, Glasgow, and Clemmie, daughter of Mr and Mrs H. Grigg, of Dulwich, London.

Sub-Lieutenant G.W. Webb, and Miss E-L. Le Gassick

The engagement is announced between Giles, younger son of Mr and Mrs M.H.P. Webb, of City of London Southborough, Tunbridge Wells, Kent, and Emma-Louise, daughter of Mrs R. Le Gassick and stepdaughter of Mr M. Le Gassick, of Crowborough, Sussex.

Sir Tom Hopkinson

A service of thanksgiving for the life and work of Sir Tom Hopkinson, CBE, who died on June 20, will be held at St Bride's Church, Fleet Street, on Tuesday, November 6, at midday.

Mr H.S. Macfarlane and Miss L.M. Pitt

The marriage took place yesterday in Glasgow University Chapel of Mr Hamish Somerville Macfarlane, only son of Sir Norman and Lady Macfarlane, of Bearsden, Glas-gow, to Miss Laura Margaret Pitt, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs John Pitt, of Paisley, Renfrewshire. Father John Docherty officiated, assisted by the Rev David Hamilton.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Natalie Blane, Angela Mackie, Lucy and Katie McNaught, Jonathon Rogers and Mrs Natalie Rogers. Mr Alistair McIntyre was best man. A reception was held at the Gleneagles Hotel, Perthshire.

Birthdays today

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The Marquess of Aberdeen and Temair, 70; Sir Christopher Benson, chairman, MEPC, 57; Professor Sir John Dacie, haematologist, 78; M Jacques Delors, president, Commission of the European Community, 65; Sir Antony Driver, former chairman, South West Thames Regional Health Authority, 70; General Sir Jack Harman, 70; Sir Edmund Hillary, first man to reach the summit of Mcunt Everest, 71; Dr R.E. Holttum, horticulturist, 95; Lord McGowan, 52; Mr Charlie Magri, boxer, 34; Mr Peter Palumbo, chairman, Arts Council of Great Britain, 55; Sir Jeffrey Petersen, diplomat, 70; Jeffrey Petersen, diplomat, 70; Mr Walter Plowright, veterinarian, 67; Miss Diana Rigg, actress, 52; Dame Veronica Wedgwood, OM, historian, 80.

Dinner

Commonwealth Jewish Council The Hon Greville Janner, QC, MP, president, and honorary officers of the Commonwealth Jewish Council gave a dinner last night at the Commonwealth Institute in honour of Sir Shridath Ramphal and Sir Zelman Cowen, QC. The Chief Rabbi and the High Commis-sioners for The Bahamas, the Eastern Caribbean States and the Dominican Republic were among others present

Polytechnic news

Eric Collier to be head of Accounting and Finance.

Professor George Hadjimatheou to be head of the Economics department.

Reception

Chartered Association of Certified Accountants The Right Hon Sir William Clark FCCA MP, was host at a reception held last night on the Terrace of the House of Commons by the Chartered Associ-ation of Certified Accountants.

Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Petrarch, Arezzo, Italy, 1304; James Harris, philosopher, Salisbury, 1709; Sir Richard Owen, biologist, Newtown, Powys, 1804; Sir James Phillips Kay-Shuttleworth, philanthropist and educator, Pochdola 1804; John Sterling philanthropist and educator, Rochdale, 1804; John Sterling, writer, Kames Castle, Island of Bute, 1806; Margaret McMillan, educationalist, Westchester, New York, 1860; Erick Karl-feldt, poet, Nobel laureate 1931, Folkárne, Sweden, 1864; John Charles Reith, 1st Baron Reith, 1st director-general of the BBC 1927-38, Stonehaven, Gram-pian, 1889.

DEATHS: Hugh O'Neill, 2nd Earl of Tyrone, Rome, 1616; Catherine Anne Southey, poet, Buckland, Hampshire, 1854; Sir Buckland, Hampshire, 1854; Sir Richard Wallace, collector of fairy stories, Banchory, Gram-pian, 1912; Guglialmo Marconi, physicist, Nobel laureate 1909, Rome, 1937; Sir Dan Godfrey, conductor, Bournemouth, 1939; Paul Valery, poet, Paris, 1945. King Abdullah of Jordan, reigned 1928-61, assassinated, Jerusalem, 1951. The attempted assassination of Hitler by Count Claus von Stauffenberg, who was executed, 1944. The Turkish invasion of Cyprus began, 1974.

Appointments

Mr Alastair Grant, Chairman Mr Atastair Grant, Chairman and Chief Executive of the Argyll Group, to be Chairman of the Agricultural and Food Re-search Council for five years from September 1.

Mr John A. Wall to be Chairman of the Royal National Institute for the Blind on the retirement of Mr Duncan A. Watson. Mr Colin M. Low to be vice-chairman.

Legal
Mr Michael Hugh Desmond
Neligan to be a circuit judge,
assigned to the South Eastern

Company of Watermen and Lightermen

The following have been elected officers of the Company of Watermen and Lightermen for the ensuing year: Master, Mr H.G. Mack; Senior Warden, Mr J.G.P. Crowden; Junior War-dens, Mr A.T. Woods, Mr P.D.T. Roberts and Mr A.H.

Memorial service

A service of thanksgiving for the life and work of Lord Ponsonby of Shulbrede was held yesterday at St Margaret's Church, Westminster Abbey. Canon Donald Gray officiated and the Bishop of Southwark led the prayers.
Lord Ponsonby of Shulbrede,
son, and Lord Cledwyn of
Penrhos, CH, Leader of the
Opposition in the House of
Lords, read the lessons. Mr Neil
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Opposition, gave an address.
The Lord Chancellor, the Speaker, Lord Home of the Hirsel, Lord and Lady Wilson of Rievaulx, Lord Callaghan of Cardiff and the Lord Mayor of Westminster attended. Others present included:

Lady Ponsonity of Shulbrede (widow), the Hon Julia Ponsonity and the Hon Like Hon Julia Ponsonity and the Hon Ladra Ponsonity (sister). Dr and the Hon Mrs Brian Owen-Smith and Mr and the Hon Mrs Ian Russell (brothers-in-law and sisters). Mr Andrew Campbell-Tiech (stepson). Mr and Mrs Mark Oglesby (stepson-in-law and stepdaughier). Mr Timodity Owen-Smith, Miss Ensina Owen-Smith, Miss Ensina Owen-Smith, Mrs Unsule Ponsonity. Mrs Unsule Ponsonity. Mrs Unsule Ponsonity. Mrs Unsule Ponsonity.

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Lord Aberdare, Lord Alexander of Weedon, QC, Lord Angthill, Lady Batnett, Lord Belstead, Baroness Birk, Baroness Blackstone, Baroness Birk, Lord Belsse, Lord Bonham-Carter, Lord Belsse, Lord Bonham-Carter, Lord Brosson of Faversham, QC, Lord Bottoniley, Lord Boyd-Carpenter, Lord Brougham and Vatux, Lord Bruce of Donington, Lord Campbell of Cray, Lord Campbell of Estan, Lord Carmichael of Kelvingrove, Baroness Carney of Lour, Lord Carter, Lord Clinton-Davis, Lord Carter, Lord Clinton-Davis, Lord Cocks of Harutiffe, Lord Coleraine, Baroness Cox. Baroness David.

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The Hon Mrs Kathleen Howie. of Sway, Hampshire, deputy director in the Department of Joint War Organisation at the Red Cross HQ in London during the Blitz, left estate valued at £172,914 net. Lady Scoopes, of Ashdon, Saf-fron Walden, Essex, widow of Sir Geoffrey Scoopes, former High Commissioner in New Zealand, left estate valued at £189,587 net.

Latest wills

Mr Sydney Fitten, of Winsford, Cheshire, left estate valued at £1,301,387 net. Elizabeth Stewart, of Stanmore,

Miss Betty Boothroyd (Dep Speaker of the House of Common Mr Peter Bottomiey Gertiament Under-Secretary of State. North Iriland Office). Dr Jack Cumptofite MP. Mr Tam Debyell. MP. Mr Bry Davies (Partiamentary Labour Per

Middlesex, left estate valued at £201,005 net She left £1,250 and effects to personal legatees and the residue equally between the Greater London Fund for the Blind and the Spastics Society.

Mr William Charles Wilson James, of Dwrbach, Fishguard, Dyfed, formerly of New York, left estate in the United King-

oness Gardner of Parkes, Lord Glenamara, CH. Lord Gratiam of Edmontion, Cordella Lady Greenway. Lord Greenway. Lord Hacking, Lord Hampion, Lord Henderson of Brompion, Lord Hissittled, Earoness Houses, Lord Houses, CC, Lord Houghton of Sowerby, CH, Baroness Hytton-Footer. Leonard Lickorish, Meior-General w. T. MacCarlaine, Mr. Ernie Money, Mr. Britan St. MacCarlaine, Mr. Ernie Money, Mr. Britan Boyton, Commander F. N. Berry Boyton, Mr. Ernie Money, Mr. Berry Boyton, Mr. Schrier, Schressen L. Britan St. John-Smith, Mr. Schrier, Sheppand, Mr. Michael Tibbs, Miss. Margaret Thomas, Mr. Jonathus van der Werff. Mr. Michael Wheeler-Booth, Mr. Alam Lee Williams, Mr. John Wood.

Professor Theo. Barket Lindon School of Economics and Political Sciencel, Mr. Peter Cresswell and Mr. Julian Mailso (General Council of the Barl, Mr. Richard Faulkner (Football Trust), Mr. Richard Faulkner (Football Trust), Mr. Adrian FilzGerald Cressenting the Leader of Rensing. In Tourism Industry), Mr. Bir Hollier, Growther, Fahlan Society with Mr. Peter Townsend (vice-President); Professor Harry Kay (London Forum for the Eiderty), Mr. John Lyttle Gecretary (or Public Affaks to the Architekson of Campaigns and Communications). Campaigns and Communications. Campaigns and Campaigns Houghton of Sowerby, CH. Baroness Hytion-Foster.

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> dom valued at £668,032 net. He left £26,000, certain land and other bequests to personal lega-tees, £30,000 to establish a trust fund for artists working near Fishguard, and much of the residue equally between the Royal Geographical Society of London and the National Library of Wales, Aberystwyth. Mr Christopher John Swiers, of Broxa, North Yorkshire, chair-man of the York County branch of the National Farmers, Union, left estate valued at £830,637

Today's royal engagements

Chief, will visit the museum of The Queen's Royal Irish Hussars, Eastbourne, at 3.20. Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother will open the Royal Norfolk Regimental Museum, Norwich, at 3.45.

The Duke of York will take the salute at the Royal Tournament, Earls Court, at 2.15.

Prince Edward will visit Hewlett Packard at 9 Bridewell Place, EC4, at 12.20; and, as Chairman eC4, at 12.20; and, as Charman of the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Special Projects Group, will attend a reception at Millwaters Hotel. Newbury, at 7.15 followed by a charity film premiere of Gremlins II at the Cannon Cinema in aid of the Duke of Edinburgh's Award.

The Princess Royal, as President of the British Knitting and Clothing Export Council, will visit Albany Belt Company, Melton Mowbray, Leicester-

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Cambridge Elections

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The Duke of Kent, as patron, will atend the Trinity College of Music presentation day at the Wigmore Hall at 10.30; and, as President of the King's Lynn-Festival, will attend a concert of the 40th King's Lynn Festivat of Music and the Arts in St Nicholas' Chapel, at 7.55.

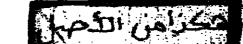
The Duchess of Kent, as Chan-cellor of Leeds University, will preside at the student degree ceremonies at 9,30, Princess Alexandra will attend the opening of the redesigned Dillons Bookstone, incorporating Mowbrays Bookshop, 28 Margaret Street, Wt, at 12.38, and will take the salute at the swinning recommence of the evening performance of the Royal Tournament at Earls Court at 7.15.

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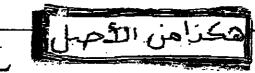
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BIRTHS AMERN - On Wednesday July
18th 1990, in London, to
Philippa tree Rosei and Tim.
a daughter, Roberta Rose
(Bertist, a sister for Archie.
BRAZER - On July 18th, at
Kenn and Canterbury
Hospital, to Katharine and
Julian, twin 20ts. William
and Alexander.

BROWN - On July 18th.

and Alexander.

BROWN - On July 16th. to Victoria (nee Beil) and Edward, a daughter.

CHRISTIE - On July 17th. at The Portland Hospital. to Jan (nee Holmes Smith) and John, a daughter. Daisy Victoria.

FLETWOOD - On July 19th. to Katle (nee MacGregor Truscoft) and Christopher. a son. Jonathan Daniel.

GAMBRIL - On July 18th. at Kings College Hospital, to Catriona (nee Woolicombe) and Richard, a daughter. Charis Woolicombe. a sister for Mary Victoria.

HARVEE - On July 19th. to Antonia and Jonathan as son. a brother (or Kitty and James.

James.

RAYNES - On July 14th, to Gilian (née Coller) and Timothy, a daughter, Emma Victoria.

Timothy, a daughter, Emma Victoria.

LE ROUX - On July 1st, at The Portland Hospial, to Amanda under Ruddi and Pullippe, a daughter, Olivia Philippe, a daughter, Olivia Philippe Marika.

MELIRUISM - On July 13th, to Jank (nee Chartion) and Jermy, a son, a brother for India and Alexandra.

MORGAN THOMAS - On July 12th, al The Portland Hospital, to Karen and Leigh, a daughter, Alexandra Solia.

O'MEA - On July 16th, to Emma (nee Goldsmith) and Paul, a daughter, Hernione Skye, a sizer for Henry.

PARRY - On July 12th 1990, at home, Chris and Elame welcome their son, Dominic Joseph, a brother for Poppy. Thanks to Dad for the delivery!

PELLY - On July 16th, to Caroline and John, a daughter, Celia Anne, a sister for Alice.

REDFERM - On July 4th 1990, to Diane unice Wilcox) and Thomas, a daughter, Madeleine Clare, Sibs 11oz.

RHODES - On July 10th, to Alexandra (nee Wilcox) and

Madeleine Clare. Sibs 1102.
RHODES - On July 10th. to
Alexandra (née Walley) and
David, a son. Charles Samuel
Francis. a brother for Josh.
ROSE - On July 12th. at the
Lindo Wing. to Puppa (Savill)
and Martyn. a daughter.
Elizabeth Margaret Craig.
SALAMOH - On July 17th
1990. to Alexandra mee
Macnabb) and Tim. a son.
Archie Basil.
TEMPLE - On July 18th. to
Douglas Vers.
THOM - On July 18th. to

THOM: On July 18th, to Judith (née Otway) and Alastair, a son, Mark, a brother for Katy.

USBORNE - On July 17th, in Edith Cavell Clinic, Brussels, to David and Judy Mallett, a son, Jonathan. son, Jonathan. VAN GELDER-THARIN - On

July 10th, at The Portland Hospital, to Liz and Vincent, a daughter. Vanessa Zoe. WARREN - On July 12th, to Camilla (nee Walley) and Mark, a daughter, .Tamara Olivia Rose.

> GOLDEN ANNIVERSARIES

DAYKINLAW - On July 20th 1940, Dick and Peggy at St Mary de Castro, Leicester. MOSESALIPTON. - On July 20th 1940, in Reading, Eric to Pearl. RAWESCHUNDLEY - Francis to Joyce on July 20th 1940. at St Oswalt's Church, Oswestry. TURNER-BUCKEY - On July 20th 1940, at St Peter's. Rugby. Love and congratulations. from Alison. Mike. Jon and Matthew.

ABBOTT - On July 12th, Julia. born in Smithville. Clarendon, Jamaica, came to Britain in 1951 and qualified as a nurse. She leaves I sor as a nurse. She leaves I son, Hugh and a daughter Diane and 2 grandchildren. Funeral Service - Friday July 20th at II am. Si Margaret's Church. Westminster.

ASHTON - On July 15th. Madge, Lady Ashton, at 67 Holland Park, London W11. aged 92. Dear sister of Yvonne. Funeral private and no memorial service by her

JULY 20

BECKMELL - On July 18th.
Nipel. of Semiley,
Shartlesbury. Lot ed by his
wife Elizabeth. all his family
and many friends. Services
at St Leonard's Church,
Semiley, on Friday July 27th
at 11.30 am. Donations to
The Cancer Reidel MacMillan
Fund or The Marie Curie
Foundation.

BOURNE - On July 16th 1990,
Ged! John. In his 70th year,
of Swalfam Bulbeck Abbey.
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Bulbeck Church on Tuesday
July 24th at 2.30 pm.
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BOURNE - On July 16th 1990, Cecil John. In his 70th year, of Swalfam Bulbeck Abbey. Funeral Service. Swalfam Bulbeck Church on Tuesday July 24th at 2.30 pm. followed by cremation. Out flowers may be sent to Weyman Funeral Service. 26 Abbey Walk, Cambridge. or if preferred donations may be made to the Council for the Protection of Rural England. Cambridge. Abbey Walk, Cambridge. Or if preferred donations may be made to the Council for the Protection of Rural England. Cambridge. Granbridge. CHALLONS - On July 14th. Janet Challons (née Handley Jones), wife of the late Jing and dear sister of Tony. Margaret and Bedy. Peacefully at Cheltenham General Hospital. Funeral at 2.50 on Wednesday July 25th at Cheltenham General Hospital. Funeral at 2.50 on Wednesday July 25th at Cheltenham. Crematorium. Flowers to Selim Smith. Prestbury Road. Chellenham.

COLLINS - On Tuesday July 17th. Olive. wife of the late Geoffrey A.K. Collins. Loving companion of John Worsley, devoted mother of Angela. Gib and Jenny and much loved grandmother of Angela. Gib and Jenny and runch loved grandmother of Frederick W. Paine. 6 Coombe Lanc. Sw20. te: 10811 946-1973.

GARVEY - On July 15th. Janet. beloved wife of Frank, mother of Seandd and grandmother of Patrick and Louise Funeral Service at Haddenham Baptis Church on Monday July 23rd at 11 am. Family flowers only. donations if wished to The British Heart Foundations color. Greenway. Haddenham.

HADDON - On July 17th 1990. Datby. of Stone Farm. Enford. A private cremation will take place today. Any enquines please to Hawkes Funeral Milherded. Somerset let no: 106437 706123.

JARVES - On July 17th 1990. Fred Robert Jarvis. OBE. C.Eng MiCE. MI Mun E. of St. Church of Seand Control Color. Seand Color. S

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Quintin Hotel. Bathpool.
Taunton. suddenly at
Musgrove Park Hospital,
aged 69 years. Funeral
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Methodist Church. Upper
High Street. Taunton.
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Augustine's Church, West
Monkton. Family flowers
only please. Donations for
'League of Friends.'
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'Children in Need' to
Leonard E Smith Funeral
Services, 1 Haydon Road,
Taunton.
RMREER - On July 17th.
peacefully in Taunton.
Colonel Thomas Kimber R.E.
treff'd). aged 90. Dear
husband of Barbara apd
much loved father.
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MARSMALL - On July 14th 1990, unexpeciedly while visiting in Scotland J.R. Neil Marshall. C.M.G. M.B.E. M.A. (Oxnon) of Seaford. Sussex. Late of the Nigerian Administrative Service and of The Institute of Administrators. Ahmadu University. Zaria. Funeral Service to be held at Aberdeen Crematorium (East Chapet) on Manday July 23rd at 11.30 am. All enquiries to Messrs Machitosh & Steven Funeral Directors. Waverley Place. Aberdeen. (0224) 625833.

MORPHEW - On July 14th. loving memory of John Edward, beloved father of Edward, devoted uncle of Gudrun. Raymond, Mary, Martha, Janet and Gillian. Martha. Janet and Gillan. He is deeply missed. but after 22 years must now be happity reunited with his dear wife Helen. No flowers are reduested but a more lesting tribute can be made by donations to the All Saints Fabric Fund at The Rectory. Farringdon.

MORRIS - On July 17th 1990. BORRES - On July 17th 1990.

pearefully in hospital, David
Edward (Del), of Bedford.
Beloved husband of Heather
and dear father of Gareth.
Lucy and Sarah. Funeral
Service at St James's
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Bedford. Monday July 23rd
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Bedford. tel: (0234) 54547.

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with Cook's Tours, perhaps fewer know that the founder, Thomas Cook (1808-1892) was once a village missionary, covering thousands of miles on foot in Rutland. He was an ardent temperance reformer and it was his views on this subject which inspired him to arrange his first railway excursion from Leicester 10 Loughborough in 1841. It drew 570 passengers who each paid 1s.

> OBITUARY. MR. THOMAS COOK

Mr. Thomas Cook, the originator of the excursion system of railway travelling and founder of the wellknown firm of Messrs. Thomas Cook and Son, whose headquarters are at Ludgate-circus, London, died at his residence. Thorncroft, Stonegate, Leicester, about midnight on Monday. His success in life was entirely due

to his indomitable courage and energy under the most discouraging conditions. Born in November 22, 1808, at Melbourne, in Derbyshire, of very humble parentage, he had in his early years a severe struggle for the bare means of existence. He was only four years old when his father died. and he commenced to earn his daily bread at the age of ten, when he was employed in a village garden at the wage of 1d. a day.

At this early age he contrived also mother, who kept a small shop for the sale of books. Soon afterwards he took to hawking fruit and vegetables in Derby market place, and a little later went to learn wood-turning. Afterwards he went to Loughborough, where he entered the employment of Mr. John Winks, a printer and publisher of books in connexion with the General Baptist

Association. In 1828 he was appointed a Bible reader and village missionary for the county of Rutland, and in the following year he travelled 2,692 miles, of which 2,106 miles were Cook.

covered on foot. Having in 1832 married Miss Mason, daughter of a Rutland farmer, he removed to Market Harborough, where, in addition to his work in connexion with the Baptist Association, he carried on the business of a wood-turner. In 1936 he became a total abstainer, and

attend a temperance meeting, he read in a newspaper a report of the opening of a part of the Midland Counties Railway, and the idea burst upon him that the new means of travel might be used for the benefit of the temperance movement. If, thought Mr. Cook, the railway company could be induced to run a special train from Leicester, many persons might be removed from the temptations of the races and great

results might be achieved. company for a special train from Loughborough on the 5th of July, 1841. This, the first publicly advertised excursion train, conveyed no fewer than 570 passengers at 1s. each. The event caused great excitement. The passengers were preceded to the Leicester Station by a band of music. At Loughborough they were met by a great crowd of people, and they were

enthusiasm. The success of this trip induced Mr. Cook to combine the manage ment of excursions with his book and printing business in Leicester, to which town he had removed. He organized trips to Derby, Nottingham, and Birmingham, and the business having grown so much that to be of material assistance to his in several trips he conveyed between 4,000 and 5,000 people, he in 1844 entered into permanent arrangements with the directors of the Midland Railway to place trains at his disposal whenever they were required while he provided the

> in 1872, when he, with nine companions, started to make what he termed an exploratory tour. The tour was business being then placed under the sole control of his son, Mr. John M.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

GRTHAMPTON MIGH SCHOOL A Thankspiving Service for the life of Miss Ruth Mary Marsden will be held at All Saints Church, Northambar neid at All Saints Church, Northampton. on Friday September 7th 1990 at 2 pm. Refreshments will be served in The Cripps Block after the Service. If you wish to altend, please write to Miss E. Cook. Northampton High School. Northampton NN1 1UN. by Friday Aligusi 10th.

PEARCE - On July 17th, at home, Gruinard, after timess borne with great courage, June Crace, dearly loved wife of Bernard, greathy loved and devoted mother to Carol, Nigel and Adrian and grandmother of Laura, Laurence, Lloyd, Louise and Simon, Funeral Service and Interment on Wednesday July 26th at 11.30 am, St Andrew's Church, Burgess Hill, Sussex, Flowers and enuiries to Wm. Collins & Son, 12 Mill Road, Burgess Hill, Sussex, tel: '0444') 871515.

PERGUSS - On Wednesday
July 18th 1990, peacefully at
home. East Ansiety. Mastrice.
aged 80 years lake of Bristol.
Belowed husband of Margaret and father of Christopher.
Noel. Clare and Vaterie.
Funeral Service to be held on
Monday July 23rd at 2.30
pm at East Ansiety Church.

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PUGSLEY - On July 17th
1990, at home, after a long
and gallant flight, RearAdmiral Anthony Foliett
Pugsley CB DSD'es, aged 88,
dear Cather of John and
grandfather of Simon.
Martin and Hugh. Funeral
Service at Milverton Parish
Church at 5 pm on Monday
July 23rd. Flowers, or
donations for St Margaret's
(Somerset) Hospice, to
Clenhaven Funeral Service,
North Street, Wivelscombe.
Sornersel, (0984 23496).

QUICK - On Tuesday July
17th. Arnold. aged 75 years.
of Frinton-on-Sea, Essex,
after a short illness, of a
broken heart six months
after the loss of his beloved
wife Margaret. Much loved
faither to lath. Anthea. Nigel
and Simon. Sadily missed by
his grandchildren and sisterin-taw Greta. Thanksgiving
Service for his full and
generous life, on Friday July
27th at 12 noon at Great
Holland Parish Church. No
flowers but donations, if
desired, to the Essex County
Cricket Youth Trust Fund.
County Ground. Chelmsford.

REMINICK - On Thursday July 19th. Lady Margaret Rachel Remwick. of Ridgeways. near Sheffield, aged 79. the widow of Sir John Remwick. Private cremation. Please no flowers or letters. A Thanksgiving Service will be amounced inter.

STANDEVEM - On July 17th 1990. Rhoda Hilary Mary, suddenly at Papworth Hospital. No flowers by request. Donations to Papworth Hospital. All enquiries to G W Hardly & Sons. Funeral Directors. Finching Field, tel: (0371) 810324,

SIBLIVAN - On July 16th.
Dilys Myfanwy, at Marwa
Nursing Home. Aldershot.
widow of the late Li. Col.
A.J. Sullivan. Funeral
Service Wednesday July
26th at 3.30 pm at The Park
Crematorium. Guildiord
Road, Aldershot.

WYLE-MOORE - On July 17th. Mona Datrympte the Tennanti, beloved wife of Norman. Funeral at Al Saints Church. Waldron, on July 23rd at 11.30 am. Family Howers only. donations if desired for All Saints Church. Waldron, E. Sussex. Co. C. Walerhouse & Sons. High Street, Burwash, E. Sussex.

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A handy guide for the 18th-century travel trade: from the left, the Spaniard, Frenchman, Italian, "good" German, Englishman, Swabian, (or "bad" German), Pole, Hungarian, Muscovite and Greek or Turk

The good, the bad and the Swabian

argaret Thatcher was wasting taxpayer's in money when, on the advice of her foreign affairs specialist, she summoned a secret seminar to divine the national thoughts and virtues of the Germans. The job has aiready been done with teutonic thoroughness, and the report has been available for more than

Word for word, it is better value than the leaked memorandum. and more comprehensive. The stereotypical traits of Europe's 10 leading nations were assessed and. a nat is more, it carefully distinguished between good Germans names of north Germany - and had Germans, from the south. temped together under the dismissive term of Swebians.

The Chart of Nations was compiled as a thumbnail guide for innkeepers, coachmen and auberge proprietors along the north-south route to Italy across the heart of the Habsburg empire early in the 18th century.

in order to assist the personnel of the 18th-century travel trade in

identification of foreigners passing through their land, the anonymous compiler of the chart provided a nicely illustrated "Brief Description of the Peoples of Europe and their Characteristics" based, no doubt, on practical experience. The innkeepers put up copies in their bars in the heyday of the European Grand Tour as a practical, instant guide. A copy of the chart, which was conceived in Styria, in south-east Austria, has

Historia, The English (and, presumably, the Scots and Welsh, who are not listed separately) were the innkeepers' and postillions' favourite customers. In virtually all the chart's 17 key questions, ranging over morals, intellectual capabili-ties, ature, shortcomings, ail-ments, and religious observance, the English came first, beating the Spanish, Italians, French, Hungarians, Poles, Germans, Swabians, Muscovites (Russians), and the all purpose Turk or Greek hands down. But the good Germans were

not far behind, being adjudged as

being of good character, pious, witty and open-hearted, although a urifle stingy and rather too fond of drinking.

The bad Swabians, on the other hand, were apparently very bad.

witted, cruel, superstitious zealots, whose favourite pastime was "guzbeen rescued from oblivion by the Budapest historical journal zling wine". Their enly redeeming fealure fearlessness in battle, if that is something to commend a

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your inn. In the field of honesty and morals - the key assessment issues in the char. - the English scored top marks with the accolade of "highly developed moral sense" and "of kindly disposition". The French were judged of "easy virtue", the

luckless Swabians "harsh", the Spaniards "haughty", the Italians 'underhand" and the Muscovites bottom of the field, having been found "ill-willed".

Heroism in battle and military



for a bed un European checklist: national traits are characterised under each figure

virtues were highly valued, the English being the undisputed "he-roes of the seas", and the good Germans "unsurpassed" in their martial qualities. But the French apparently excelled only in "low cunning" in battle. The Spaniards, noble to a man, were magnanimous in battle, the Italians a trifle "over-cautious", while the Russians were "without military

Religious observance in the century following the Thirty Years key to the

stranger in Europe. In the wake of almost half a century of internecine war in Britain in the 17th century, its citizens were seen as "changing like the moon" in their religious allegiances. The Swabians were once again seen

as bad even in the Catholic Habsburg empire and disliked as "zealots", while the Russians were dismissed as "rude hereucs". The hard-line Spaniards won the top accolade in this field for "outstanding religious obserians, represented mainly by their drovers taking long-horn cattle to Italy, were clearly not the flavour of the century, having thrice risen in rebellion against their Habsburg overlords. They were characterised as rebellious, blood-

thirsty war lovers. Appearance and national attire helped to classify the traveller in 18th-century Europe. The English were seen as favouring Frenchstyle clothes, while the French themselves were "forever chang-ing their garb". The bad Germans wore leather (hosen) and the good Germans were "imitating" every-one. The Russians, not surprisingly perhaps, wore furs with everything, a habit that must have raised a few eyebrows in the temperate climate of central

Ешторе The heart of character assessment was the identification of the national shortcomings of Europe's leading nations. The main fault of the English was their restlessness and their love of pomp and circumstance, the bad Germans were too superstitious, the French deceitful, the Italians too much

given to pleasure-seeking and the Russians traitorous, only sur-passed in this by Greeks and

In a catch-all character summary the English were awarded the much coveted epithet of "nice", the good Germans "quite nice", the Swabians "cruel", the French loquacious, the Italians jealous and the Hungarians almost:

as cruel as the Russians. Englishmen, perhaps because of their long, thin faces and graceful movements, resembled horses. according to the chart, the crafty French were likened to foxes, the had Germans to cows, the good. Germans to lions, the Hungarians to blood-thirsty wolves, the Spaniards to sagacious elephants, and the Russians to asses.

In all, the chart of nations must have been quite a handy guide in an age which was, as Lawrence Sterne put it, "so full of light that there is scarce a country of corner of Europe whose beams are not crossed and interchanged with others".

ADRIAN BROOKS

In this, it was not so different

Happy birthday, Rule Britannia

goings-on once scandalised the nation and ignominiously immortalised the name of its war minister. John Profumo, the sight of a Commander of the British Empire disporting himself around its grounds wrapped in a Union Jack and taken." waving a conductor's baton

Nevertheless, two elderly guests who were treating themselves to a few days at Chreden, the Buckinghamshire mansion which was once ine home of the Astor family and is now one of Britain's grandes: hotels, were suf-ficiently bemused by the spectacle to seek enlightenment from a passing footman. "It's Mr Antony Hopkins, sir," said that retainer respectfully and, doubtless feeling that some After 250 years of stirring the blood of Britons everywhere, the country's most patriotic song is to get a party to itself

quired, added: "I understand will conduct the orchestra, around - the tickets are £260 he's having his photograph was merely taking an advance each - but if the occasion

old musician, author and atmosphere. for his display of patriotic parterre, or formal gardens, of Cliveden on the night of August 1, 1740, that a tune by Dr Thomas Arne, "Rule, Britannia!", was heard in public for the first time. And, in the same spot and on the right date, the Royal Philharmonic Pops Orchestra, soloist Sarah Walker, will perform it at a concert to celebrate its 250th

further explanation was re- birthday. Mr Hopkins, who lace who rejoice this time look at the location and succeeds in resurrecting the

very first time anyone has ever commemorated the anniversary of a single song," he said. deserved - it's a super song was certainly good enough for Beethoven to write variations on it. From the moment it was first played, as part of a masque called Alfred, it went straight to the bearts of

It will scarcely be the popu-

Mr Hopkins, the 69-year- inhaling the appropriate name of the composer from purpose. For it was also Dr Arne's harmony which has become today's standard form of the national anthem - and *Rule, Britannia!" and "God

> Nor was it only Beethoven who gave "Rule, Britannia!" the seal of approval. Handel

Save the Queen" (or King, as

it then was) is not a bad

double act for a man who was

borrowed from it for his "Occasional Oratorio", and Wagner said that its first eight bars embodied the character of the British people. And if next month's location is far removed from the football terraces and the last night of the Proms. at which it has had its most enduring and enthuvery much in keeping with the grandeur of its debut.

Anxious to gain favour with erick, Prince of Wales, the eldest son of George II and Cliveden's owner, decided to commission an evening of British magnificence, ostensibly to honour his daughter's third birthday. Two Scottish poets came up with the words the resultant masque and Dr Arne produced the music.



Suitably dressed to celebrate a patriotic classic: Antony Hopkins at Cliveden

a dry eye in the place as "Rule, Britannia!" rang out.

The cost of the birthday celebrations, including a fireworks display and dancing in the great hall at Cliveden, is

£45,000 with any profit going

There was reportedly scarcely to the Prince's Trust. "The house was full with resident guests within 48 hours of the first announcement," says John Sinclair, Cliveden's general manager

Cliveden's connection with the birth of Britain's most

patriotic song was discovered by Nicy Roberts, the house's marketing manager and a bachelor of music. "The more I read, the more I realised that this day couldn't be allowed to pass by," she says.

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Paying up for children

n November 1987, in a burst of bicentennial fervour, Bob Hawke, the Australian prime minister, declared that by the end of 1990 no Australian child would be living in poverty. He regretted the extravagance at once. What he had meant to say was:
"As a result of the social infrastructure currently being put into place, no Australian child will need to live in poverty by the end of 1990."

rrious parallel

He had wandered from the script, misled perhaps by his enthusiasm for the fledgeling child support scheme, a winning adjustment to the social infrastructure which had the rare charm of appealing to the soft left on the one hand, and the hard right on

Not only would it improve the lot of children in single-parent families by chasing and enforcing maintenance payments from noncustodial parents (usually fathers), it would cut the sole parent pension (allowance) dramatically by moving the onus of support from the state to the individual Pensions would still be paid but at a reduced rate, depending on the size of the maintenance order.

The scheme, whose mono is Putting Children First, has been in force for two years. It was introduced with all-party support in two stages, in June 1986 and October 1989. Its success is currently being assessed; reviews range from the ecstasy of the Australian Taxation Office (ATO), which believes it to be "an enormous triumph", through the caution of the welfare groups ("it works very well for some"), to the fury of outraged fathers.

There is no doubt that it has thrown up problems, but what cannot be denied is that most custodial parents (usually mothers) are better off than they were, most non-custodial parents are complying with its orders, and the Department of Social Security (DSS) is substantially richer. According to figures provided

Australia is two years ahead of Britain in forcing absentee fathers to

David Chuter (right) tells Barbara Toner how the policy works

by ATO, before the scheme began only 30 per cent of those who should have been paying mainte-nance actually were, and of these only 45 per cent were paying it regularly. Since the scheme, 57 per cent of those registered have paid up immediately, and a further 7 per cent coughed up within two

David Chuter, director of the child support agency in New South Wales, says: "We take action on the remaining 36 per cent - a letter, a phone call or a summons - and we end up with a payment rate of 71 per cent. This means that 29 per cent of custodial parents are not getting a brass razoo, but a large number are much better off."

The agency uses all the re-sources of the ATO, plus other sources. "There are motor transport records, health insurance records, the state's lotteries offices, Telecom and loads of others," Mr Chuter says. "We write off just 2 per cent as untraceable."

Once traced, the parent agrees a method of payment. Just under a third accept automatic withdrawal, where the maintenance payments are deducted from their pay packets by their employers. The rest agree to send monthly payments to the ATO - or refuse to, as the case may be. "Some don't want to pay,

pay maintenance.

especially fathers of Mediterranean or south-east European descent. They can get very difficult," Mr Chuter says.

Enforcement techniques include penalties of Aus\$20 (£8.75) per month, withholding of tax rebates, civil proceedings to recover goods to the value of the debt, or an examination summons when a parent must show the court why he is unable to pay. in the financial year 1989-90 the

DSS saved Aus\$34.2 million and in 1990-91, it is expected to make a saving of Aus\$120 million. Not everyone is thrilled. Reservations are mainly to do with the way the scheme is administered. Three separate government departments are involved: the ATO, which is responsible for registration, collection and enforcement, the DSS, which hands over the money to the custodial parent, and the attorney general's office, which is responsible for the family courts to which appeals can be made by

Currently, their clients fall into stage one and stage two categories. Stage two applies to anyone who separated, or gave birth subsequent to separation, after Octo-ber 1, 1989. Stage one applies to everyone else. Stage two clients register with the child support agency, which works out how

ing to a formula. Stage one people have their maintenance fixed by a court order or court registration

According to Marion Brown, a solicitor with the Women's Legal Resource Centre, one of the main objections to the scheme is that parents wanting to claim sole parent allowances cannot under stage two unless they also apply for maintenance. There are women who don't want to open old relationships with men who have been bastards. You can't tell me that a man who hasn't seen his wife and kids for years won't think, when he's hit with a maintenance order, 'If I'm going to pay, I want to see the hids.' Then he takes her to court for access and they're involved all

Mr Chuter admits they have had some problems with fathers confusing the issues of access and custody with maintenance. "They don't understand that access is the child's right, not theirs. They've had the children, so it's their duty to maintain them, whether they see them or not. We're seeking funding for additional counselling

in the family courts," he says. There are other hiccups, like the length of time it takes to process a registration. Once a non-custodial parent has registered, four months pass before the first payment. The ATO admits it is a problem but claims it has no solutions.

There will always be individuals for whom the system won't work, who'll say it doesn't work, full stop. But it does," Mr Chuter says. But he acknowledges how ensitive an area it is. There have been distressing scenes in the Sydney child support agency, located in a suburban tax office.

"We had a man come in and strip off his shirt," Mr Chuter says. He was yelling, Take the shirt off my back, you've got everything else'. Then he took off his shoes and socks. When he got to his trousers he was restrained by a



Happy family: but when couples separate, Australia has found ways of making men pay the price

The best policy is no policy at all

THE state of television presenter Jeremy Paxman's coiffure is beside the point, I know. Still, the fact is I knew we were in for a really good Newsnight when I switched on the television set last Wednesday and saw those little tendrils that tumble, ever so slightly, over his forehead, all a-quiver. Mr Paxman was really engaged.

Under discussion was Mrs Thatcher's policy on the family, not a naturally promising topic, one would have thought. There to help whizz things along were Lord Joseph, the former education secretary, Edwina Currie and Harriet Harman, In keeping with the political tenor this week, I noted that Mrs Currie, who, during question time, had praised the prime minister for "looking jolly good", was looking a jolly lot better than I have ever seen her, with a manner that verged, al-

though did not park, on calm. Before the discussion proper, there was a bit of data on the changing marital status of cabinet ministers. Forty years ago there was barely a divorce to be seen in the cabinet. But now we have a Conservative prime minister who is married to a divorced man. We have had a cabinet whose ministers have their share of second wives and even the odd illegitimate child. That seemed to me an essential point to grasp. Society is not static, and it will develop as it pleases in a way that seems most comfortable and natural to human beings at a given state of cultural and

technological development. "It's taken the government 16 years to develop a policy on the family, hasn't it?" was Mr Paxman's opening question to Lord Joseph. This was fol-lowed up by, "Are you saying women shouldn't go out to work?" and "Well, what are they supposed to do then?", when Lord Joseph voiced some mild unnappiness with the notion of taxpayer-funded

The key point Lord Joseph made was a philosophical one the state creating nurseries. of considerable importance: Anyone who thinks that inadnamely, that good parenting equate human beings can be was not necessarily dependent on traditional structures. Single men or women could be To a large extent, the problem good parents if they were of good character. Nor was he less mothers is the result of a opposed to mothers going out totally demoralised society to work if that was what they and has to do with the social wanted to do. Government ambience we have created. It self-sufficiency that a nearcould usefully provide some is rather like living with a structures in which good parenting might take place (such as eliminating unfair tax treatment of stay-at-home mothers), but could do little about the most important element in preserving the family, namely, the matter of creating reliable human

This is surely the key point. Some mothers (single or married) will choose to take a cut in living standards in order to stay at home and raise their decision but simply a matter track down runaway fathers our shoelaces.



of judgment. One should not try to change this for the sake of the economy or the diet of the family: a middle-class lifestyle is a perfectly decent human ambition, but it is not return should be protected at this point a human right to be enforced or subsidised by the state. There are, of course, some single mothers who are either too young or too illequipped to do much more than throw themselves into the state's safety net. We must continue to try to do everything possible to see that there is sufficient food, shelter and clothing for them.

But fathers who desert their offspring, or women who have unable to shoulder the respon-

Human society has become so technologically advanced, but is helpless in the management of the most basic aspects of existence

sibility of looking after them will not be helped one iota by given job skills and initiative this way are stark raving mad. of fatherless families and helpdemoralised army: an army with high morale is one in which you have a bunch of soldiers for whom it would take more courage to run away from the enemy than to face it. So long as our social ambience goes on telling people that it is up to the government to sort their lives out, the courage they need to face the consequences of their actions will wither away.

The prime minister also seems entranced with the idea children. This is not a moral of creating a new bureau to

who are delinquent in their support payments. One has no sympathy for those sub-humans who desert their responsibilities, but Mrs Thatcher might want to think again about that one. If the Canadian experience is anything to go by, it costs tax-payers about £2 to collect every 50p of support.

But, far more importantly,

giving new and increased access to information collected by Inland Revenue in order to ess support payments or locate the workplace of a delinquent parent breaches further the confidentiality of tax returns. It is no excuse to say that this confidentiality has long been under attack: a citizen's willingness to reveal detailed personal information to the government in his tax above all else, or the very foundation upon which our

society operates will atrophy. Mrs Thatcher is said to be unsure of which way to jump in fashioning a policy for the family. In my view she should say a plague on the house of anyone who wishes to design any policy at all. The best thing one can do for the family is to leave it alone. All women should have the choice to stay at home or go out and work illegitimate children and are but it is not the business of the state to "encourage" men,

women or fish in their choices.

Musing about all this, one is

struck by the curious paradox that human society has become so technologically advanced but is so helpless in the management of the most basic aspects of existence. This was not always so, of course. In the middle ages, a villager could have explained how to grow food, build homes, raise children or trade in the market. No more. Most of us cannot explain how electric lights work or how telephones operate. We need experts in every area. If the most "primitive" neanderthal was almost totally self-sufficient, the most "civilised" person today appears to be almost helpless. We need specialists to tell us how to relate to our husbands. make our marriages work and discipline our children.

I suppose the bargain is not so bad. As society increases in complexity we live longer and more comfortably, face fewer hazards and have better the vaccines. All we seem to lose is the independence, pride and total grasp of our world gave us. Even the most levelheaded person is a little alienated in this vastly complicated world, which is unsurprising since most of us do not understand 99 per cent of what makes it tick. Now we are asking the state to create a pian for our families. So all of us, single parents, families and spinsters, may enjoy our Walkmans, watch our satellite television, work out our benefits on computer cards and, like idiot savants, look to the minister to tell us how to tie

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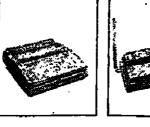
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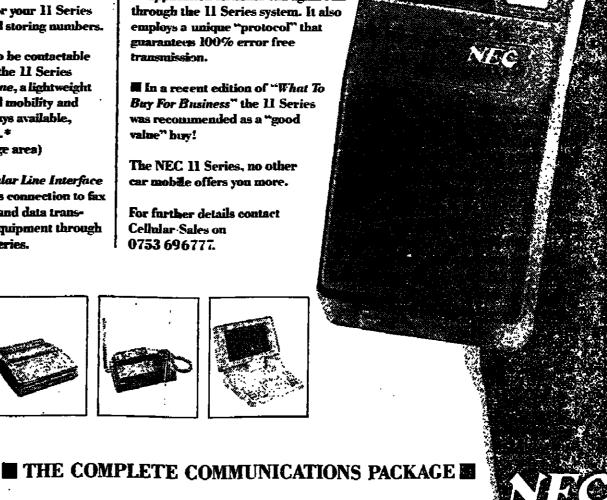
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Pretty paw show, good pedigree

John Russell Taylor on London exhibitions by two unusual photographers, William Wegman and Madame Yevonde

t is incredible that William Wegman is so little known in Britain. After all, he is the man who photographed Man Ray. Not Man Ray the great surrealist photographer - that would not guarantee fame and fortune in these jaded days - but Man Ray the large and rather melancholy-looking Weimaraner. When this Man Ray went to the great kennel in the sky in 1982, he was replaced by the no less photogenic, no less patient Fay Ray, and the collaboration continues.

Collaboration does not seem too strong a word, faced with the innumerable photographs in which the dog Man or Fay obligingly makes itself into a table-top, daintily poised on four spindly wooden legs, or enigmatically contemplates the result of a quick application of Jungle Red polish to the toencils, or pretends to be an elephant with a long grey sock for trunk, or becomes a New York society matron dressed for the ball. Either they have passed, as Constant Lambert remarked of something else, from the calm of a philosopher to the passivity of a dead object, or they actually enjoy and participate in the game.

A careful reading reinforces the philosophical view of the situation. From time to time a look of lofty tolerance at the vaganes of humans may be detected, but as a rule they seem resigned to, or even appreciative of, their role in the creation of Wegman's world. And now that he has taken to painting as well, perhaps the dog Fay will have rather less call on its energy and creative imagination. But if so, the extensive evidence on show at the ICA and at Hamiltons strongly suggests that both Wegman and the world may be poorer for it.

The ICA? What does anything so whimsical and frivolous have to do with that solemn temple of the avant-garde? It might, of course, be a bit of summer madness to give over the downstairs galleries to a lot of pictures of dogs in fancy dress, plus some paintings and drawings from the same hand. (The upper galleries hold a bandful of rather wan and wispy paintings by Alex Katz.) On the other hand, perhaps the idea is to direct viewers towards the perception of more and deeper meaning than they might otherwise

(or soberly) wish to encounter.
The lavishly produced catalogue does its best, linking Wegman with conceptual art and finding beneath the opulent surface of his newer pictures a continuing moral stance in relation to the inscrutability of the animal. Fair enough. It cannot be denied that the more apparently anthropomorphised the Rays are, the less speciators are inclined to go "ooh" and "aah" and see them as being just like people they know. Whatever the skin - leopard, zebra or nattily styled astroturf - the dog beneath it is still a dog.

No less, mutatis mutandis, can be said for the "Goddesses" of 1935, the most famous series of pictures produced by Madame Yevonde. Slightly surrealist in their conception and vibrantly, even luridly captured by the now obsolete Vivex process, they are intensely of their period. They are also, to modern eyes, given an extra layer of surrealist feeling by the weird dislocation between the subjects and the sitters. All of them are evidently debs who would probably rather be on the hunting field than draped in all this mythological clobber pretending to be Hebe at the well or Euterpe with her piccolo.

here is easy fun to be made of some of the pictures at the National Portrait Gallery. But there is also a clear impression that Madame Ye-vonde would have shared the joke. Yevonde was, surprisingly, her real name: Yevonde Cumbers was born in 1893 near Streatham Common to a prosperous middleclass family, was a suffragette and became a photographer quite by chance, when she answered an advertisement for a trainee pupil by the established Hampstead photographer Lena Cottrell. She did not take the job, but before long she had herself become a successful society photographer.

She does not seem to have been as limited as her professional position might suggest. She was always interested in the artistic side of photography as well as the technical, and on both was inclined to experiment.

The idea for the "Goddesses" apparently came from a grand Olympian party of 1935, which also presumably suggested the debby cast. But her imagination was genuine enough, and some of the more bizarre images work amazingly well, such as that of Lady Balcon as Minerva with helmet, gun and owl. Many of her more prosaic works at the time, the advertising pictures and the portraits of celebrities (such as A.A. Milne) are touched with the same weirdness.

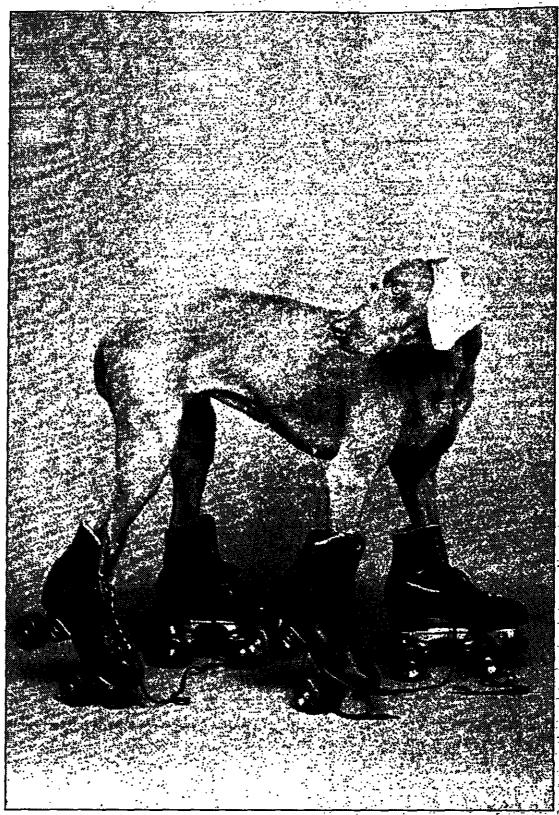
The Vivex process itself, of which she seems to have been the great exponent, deserves at least a otnote. It was in certain ways parallel to the classic Technicolor process in the cinema which irradiated Gone with the Wind and made Betty Grable's lips redder and lusher than anything previously known

Eventually Vivex, like Technicolor, fell victim to its own complexity, its multiplicity of negatives (on glass in the case of Vivex) and its expense of time and money. But one need only look at colour in the portrait of Vivien Leigh, quite undeteriorated by the passage of 54 years, to regret the ng of the process.

Madame Yevonde was no victim. She went back to black-andwhite, photographed many distinguished women (one series under the provocative title "Dove or Predator?") and many no less distinguished men, produced an important photographic record of Ethiopia at the age of 71 and was active up to her death in 1975. Though unlikely to be restored

to a prominent place in the pantheon of great photographers, she is undoubtedly a substantial and significant figure. Anyone tempted to think that the National Portrait Gallery's featuring of her (with the co-operation of the Royal Photographic Society, to which she belonged for most of her working life) may be another piece of summer camp, is due for a

William Wegman. Institute of Contemporary Arts. The Mall, SWI (071-930 0472), until September I. William Wegman: New Works. Hamiltons Gallery, 13 Carlos Place, W1 (071-499 9493), until August 31. Madame Yevonde: Colour, Fantasy and Myth. National Portrait Galle St Martin's Place, WC2 (071-306 0055), until September 30.



"Roller Rover" by William Wegman featuring Fay Ray, his Weimaraner, is one of the many dog studies included in the retrospective show at the ICA Galleries

chief assistant. There is no doubt one can see the influence, but his compleyet organic seeming forms take on also Gillian Jason Galleny 42 Inveness Street, London NW1 (071-257, 4835)

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Fewer fireworks, more musical substance

Festival is occasionally accused of being always the same, but there is a sense, even a involving in this case a sustained melancholy sense, in which that cannot be true. We are most unlikely to relive the excitements of the late 1950s, when the advent of Harrison Birtwistle and Peter Maxwell Davies brought scandal to the Pump Room and affrontedness to the Town Hall: audiences have grown more tolerant. or perhaps merely less concerned. But, happily, excitements of a more innately musical kind can still happen. The best example on offer this year was in the revelation of a Double Concerto for oboe and clarinet by Simon

thirties, is a master composer for the orchestra who has written far too little orchestral music: it is good news that a compact disc including his Viola Concerto and Fantasia for Double Orchestra is

Double Concerto follows in the line of those two works in being a continuous process of generation, acceleration throughout a span of 20 minutes and at the same time a constant unfolding of melodic and harmonic potential, so that the music becomes at once more agitated and more complex, as if the complexity fuelled the agitation, or the agitation needled out the increasingly fine detail.

The beautiful starting point is a

long-held, wide-spread chord, out of which notes gradually fade to leave a bed of A major in the bass, over which the soloists stealthily enter in the same harmony, the oboe wildly high as it is through much of the piece. The clarinet is cast rather in the role of supporting instrument: this is certainly not a double concerto of antagonism, and only rarely is it a concerto of dialogue. Instead the two soloists pursue very much the

same line through marvellous

blendings, particularly in the long extensions of slow melody which occupy much of the body of the piece: slow melody suspended across a finely imagined orchestral background which gradually begins to sprout related melodies and activities.

Writing for a Beethoven-sized

orchestra of double wind with trumpets but no trombones or percussion, Bainbridge creates an extraordinary individual world of clarity and sumptuousness, partiy by the simple but immensely fruitful device of having the woodwind and trumpets in a group on the right, with the horns, exultantly whooping as the music bounds on, on the left. The A major of the opening has, of course, no tonal connotations, but is a signal rather of the concern for the harmonic series that gives the music its transparency and bright colour. Indeed, its vivacity is such that the ending, when it has started to move with a jazz-style heat and voluptuousness, is per-

hans a shade abrupt, though the sudden cut-off may be part of the intention. It decidedly leaves one stocked and generously inventive. wanting to hear the whole process. musical mind. More than a "story

the same musicians as gave this first performance. Nicholas Daniel was sheerly spectacular, never seeming strained, in the high oboe part, and if the clarinettist Joy Farrall was a more shadowy presence, that was in the nature of the piece. Richard Hickox conducted a City of London Sinfonia nicely tuned to the delectableness and energy of the music.

Daniel and Farrall also gave a recital with the pianist Julius Drake, proving that there is little music for the combination of oboe, clarinet and piano, though their versions of a Telemann suite and of Dvorak's Op 47 Bagatelles sounded well enough. To compensate for the lack of literature they had commissioned a trio from John Woolrich, but his eight-minute

in music", it was a story about Preferably that would be with music, using a cadence from a Monteverdi madrigal to wander through musical history as far as Mozart, Wagner and (less identifiably) Nono. Beautifully made it was beautifully played, twice. But Woolrich is too fine a compos for one to feel entirely satisfied when a piece of his exists so much in quotation marks.

At least here the quotation marks were conscious. Edward Harper's half-hour song cycle Homage to Thomas Hardy took the risk of trespassing on Britten's territory, and paid the penalty of appearing imitative. But Stephen Varcoe's lynical baritone expertly maintained a pivot between innocence and experience; the Scottish Chamber Orchestra was conducted by Paul Daniel,

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Not to be described as family entertainment:

An opera based on the "Manson Family" mass murders of 1969

has been premiered in New York this week. James Bone reports

he last anybody heard of Charles Manson was that he was safely in San Quentin State Penitentiary. But two decades have done nothing to erase the memory of the cold-blooded cult killing of the actress Sharon Tate and four others in her Los Angeles home, and the slaughter of another couple the following

Those murders in August 1969 put an end to the psychedelic Sixties, and the convicted killers, Manson and his "Family", a ragbag assortment of middle-class flower children on a bad trip, passed into popular mythology. Now a young avant-garde American composer, John Moran, a protege of Philip Glass, has written a multi-media opera, The Manson Family, premiered this

New York's Lincoln Center. The subject matter, rich with themes worthy of Greek tragedy and more than a smattering of theatrical brutality, lends itself easily to the operatic format. As Moran puts it: "Once you get past

the basic facts - that Manson and

his followers killed Sharon Tate

and are now in jail — you have a

story that's incredibly involved, twisted and truly epic." Moran, aged 25, is the son of a university choir leader and spent much of his youth in mental institutions before himself joining a cult for two years. He was

expelled from a music course at the University of Nebraska. His life changed in 1986 when he handed a tape of his work to Glass, who was performing in the area.At Glass's urging, he moved to New York to pursue contposition and now works with the Ridge Street Theater Company, based on Manhattan's Lower East

His first large-scale work was Jack Benny, an opera whose score consisted of rearranged recordings of the American television entertainer's Jack Benny Show of the 1950s and 1960s. The Village Voice called the work "brilliant".

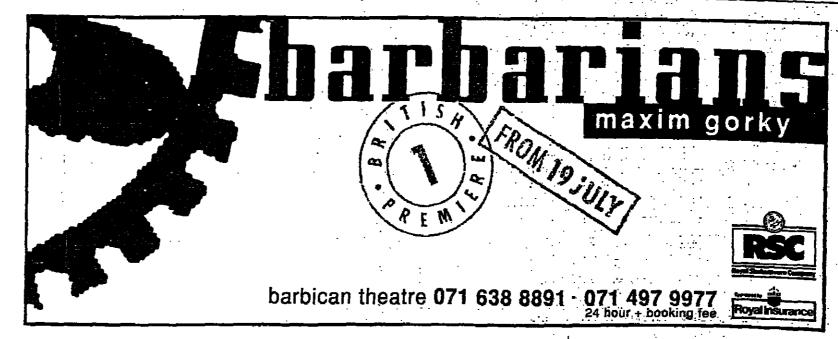
Although the Manson case had already been chronicled in several books, including one by prosecutor Vincent Bugliosi which sold six million copies, Moran verified the story by consulting Manson Family member Susan Atkins, who is serving a life sentence for murder. He now calls her "one of my best friends".

The Manson Family is more traditional in structure than was the plotless Jack Benny, tracking events from the murders to Manson's death sentence - commuted when the California Supreme Court struck down the state's capital punishment statute.

The score is largely electronic with repetitive sequences of single notes like raindrops underlying such effects as passing car engines and television soundtrack. But it also includes parts for the viola and keyboards, and several times the characters are called on to sing in rasping, expressionist touca

Manson's voice is used briefly. Behind, above and on both sides of the stage are large screenson to which are projected images, ranging from newspaper clippings to the bold red word "PIG", as it was smeared in blood on a mirror at Sharon Tate's house.

As in Jack Benny, Moran blends in mythic elements from television culture - in this case, the Hawaii Five-O detective Steve McGarrett, who replaces Bugliosi as the prosecutor.



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The bricklayers' alms

wo years ago, former Pink Floyd member Roger Waters was in Dallas, Texas, talking to a radio presenter about the group's album. The Wall. During the early Eighties, the band had performed it as a musictheatre work in major cities of Europe and America. The record went on to sell more than 20 million copies, and the film of The Wall, directed by Alan Parker and starring Bob Geldof, has become one of the biggest-selling music videos to date.

Several years ago, amid a certain amount of acrimony. Waters left Pink Floyd, which he had formed in the Sixties. But since he was responsible for writing and composing The Wall, the Dallas interviewer wondered whether Waters would ever consider playing the piece again.

I replied that I would do it as an act of celebration in Berlin if ever they took the wall down," Waters recalls. "A couple of newspapers got wind of the story and I was approached by a distinguished war veteran to perform it there for the benefit of a memorial fund he had just set up. This would have been last September, when things in the East were beginning to free up. But apart from being extremely impolitic and impolite, I don't think it would have been possible

Roger Waters tells Mike Nicholls how he was persuaded to revive his music-theatre piece The Wall for one show in Berlin tomorrow

to go to Berlin to play The Wall. Not when the chorus of the main song is 'Tear down the wall'. " However, Waters was sufficiently impressed by the war veteran, 72-year-old Group Captain Leonard Cheshire VC, to wish to contribute in some way. The idea is to raise a permanent fund of £500 million, the accumulating interest from which could be used for worldwide disaster relief.

"So we looked at other possible venues for a performance. I was thinking in terms of the Grand Canyon, the Gobi desert, Red Square or even Wall Street," he reveals. "Then, of course, the Berlin Wall came down last November, so we started converting theory into practice."

The concert takes place tomorrow; 150,000 tickets have already been sold at £15 each. The box office takings (£2.25 million) will more than double with the sale of television rights, with an antici-pated audience of a billion expected to watch the show live.

Waters expresses distaste for most concerts in large stadiums, especially when you are charging them the same amount of money, if not more, as an ordinary hall where they can see more and in greater comfort. But apart from anything else, The Wall was partly an attack on the inherently greedy nature of doing rock 'n' roll shows in cavernous stadiums. Pink Floyd only performed it in more manageable arenas, such as Earls

Court.

Tomorrow, singer and bassguitarist Waters, along with guests, will perform in Potzdamer Platz, once the no-man's-land between East and West Berlin. The fact that the central theme of The Wall is authoritarianism and the breakdown of communication makes the site even more appro-priate —with Hitler's bunker in the shadow of the Brandenburg Gate, and the Reichstag just a grenade's throw from Checkpoint

"We actually had to clear the area of grenades, not to mention barbed wire, bombs, mines and other live ammunition," says Waters, "but that was nothing compared to cutting through some of the red tape. For example, the performance involves using armed forces from both the East and West, plus the Red Army choir. Then special clearance had to be obtained to use searchlights,

fireworks and the two helicopters

we have requisitioned from the Seventh Airborne British Army Forces in Berlin."

Much of the effort has been

made in order that the television audience may enjoy as awesome an experience as those actually there on the night. "Basically what we're presenting is music theatre for a television screen," explains Waters. "This is not just another televised concert. I don't think one can legitimately produce a good television programme which is just a rock 'n' roll show with camera crews rushing about. You wouldn't tolerate that level of production values in a movie."

A perfectionist for whom the phrase "doesn't suffer fools gladly" could have been coined. Waters is particularly concerned about production values. The costs are the highest ever for a musical event. He will not give a figure but claims they have all been covered by sponsorship and the sale of television rights.

"In order to increase the scale of the wall, to accommodate the size of the live audience, we have had to make it 200 yards across and 60 feet high. The inflatable figures are enormous. For example, the teacher's head is the size of a bus,

while one of his hands could

garage a Mercedes.
"Quite honestly, I would have liked it to be a free concert, but the authorities convinced me that it would be dangerous to admit more than 150,000 fans. There would not be enough lavatories to go around, and the police argued, too, that more than a million people would turn up and there would be crushes and deaths.

So we had to make the admission as cheap as possible and make sure people from the East could afford it. This meant waiting until after July 1, when both deutschmarks reached parity." The delay has also given Waters

time to collect a team of celebrity guests to join him on stage. These range from the likes of Joni Mitchell and Van Morrison from his own generation, to the more contemporary Sinead O'Connor.

They have not got much in common except they are all people whose work I admire." Waters. "There will be no solo spots, as the idea is not for this to be another Live Aid. Nor is it, a gathering of rock 'n' roll stars. It is just a piece of music theatre, with no headlining act. Even if there was, they would probably be drowned out by the helicopters."

● The Wall — Berlin 1990 is relayed tive on Channel 4 tomorrow from 10pm until approximately 12.20am



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Composer Roger Waters before part of the real Berlin Wall

ROCK ALBUMS

A case of nostalgie de la boudoir?

Wendy & Lisa: Eroica (Virgin CDVX 2633)

BOUDOIR pop-funk delivered in a spirit of sassy good humour remains the ex-Revolutionaries' preferred stock in trade, but there is also a strong back-to-the-future element to their music which is

becoming ever more pronounced. Many tracks on this new set. such as the suitry opener "Rainbow Lake" and the dreamy "Star-ing at the Sun", have that Olde Worlde "real" electric guitar and piano sound that Lenny Kravitz has cultivated so assiduously. The album as a whole is suffused with lush psychedelic overtones whose provenance remains firmly located in the original Summer of Love.

Typical of the trippy feel is the current single, "Strung Out". where harmonium and hurdygurdys whine and clunk through verses which bleed carelessly into bewitching chorus. Here Wendy's seductive vocals play nicely on the song's mildly sinister theme, boldly embracing the idea of being in love as a metaphor for

drug addiction.

"Why Wait for Heaven" drifts along on a languorous Robin Trower-style wash of power wahwah guitar chords, its fine melody ascending to peaks of controlled ecstasy above the Mogadontreated pulse.

The Prince connection lingers, but its grip on their music is clearly slackening as the girls' own, more centred retro-rock feel comes into play. Even so, there is still more potential than there are fully realised accomplishments to speak of here.

Bob Geldot: The Vegetarians of Love (Mercury 846 250-2)

Any change of direction away from the turgid adult pop which bedevilled Bob Geldof's 1986 solo début, Deep in the Heart of Nowhere, is welcome, and this belated follow-up plants its musical roots in the more fertile soil of

the Irish folk tradition. The dominant instrumental textures are provided by Alan Dunn's accordion, shored up by acoustic guitars, violins, penny-whistles and ukelele on numbers which

lilt: "A Gospel Song", with its Waterboys-meet-Bob-Dylan ambience and "Big Romantic Stuff", with its mob-handed vocal chorus and typically deprecating

But even when Geldof is indulging in the withering contempt of "The Great Song of Indifference" or talking his way through the little inanities of life with no pretensions whatsoever, in "No Small Wonder" there is still a nagging impression that he is trying on other people's musical coats for size.

No harm in that, everyone from Kevin Rowland to David Bowie may say, but the peculiar course of Geldof's career has stripped his public persona of the artifice which is a primary weapon in the arsenal of most performers. Having given a much better account of himself as a charity worker - and. for that matter, as an author than he ever will as a singer, Geldof is left looking for a musical

role which he is able meaningfully

to fill. The Vegetarians of Love is a

comfortable but by no means

convincing move in the right

Primus: Frizzle Fry (Caroline CARLP 10)

A Bay Area thrash-funk guitar trio with a difference, Primus exhibits the delinquent musical tendencies of early Frank Zappa updated to sit comfortably in the modern milieu of bands such as Anthrax and Faith No More, whom they have recently been supporting on tour in America

Once you have got past the grotesque cover illustration, Frizzle Fry is a trove of outstanding musicianship drawing on a bottomless sump of raw nervous energy.

There is an edgy, border-of-insanity quality to "Mr Knowitall", "Groundhog's Day" and "The Toys go Winding Down", with their glorious, pokey riffs punched out in neat, urgent stabs of sound. Above all, the clipped clunky bass patterns, taut guitar solos and endlessly inventive drumming betray no hint of the overbearing sogginess that is the besetting vice of the more conventional breed of metal guitar

DAVID SINCLAIR

A-Z GUIDE TO ROCK

Part 38 of David Sinclair's collectors' A-Z, a guide to the essential albums of the most enduring performers of rock. To qualify for inclusion in this series, an act

must have sustained a recording career of at least 10 years, and have mustered at least one decent album during that time. The entries are designed to be pasted

on to index cards and stored in a 6in by 4in filing box, available from most good stationery shops. to form an instant guide to the hits

THE POGUES

hane MacGowan's muddled rasp and the Pogues' hell-for-leather approach are unlikely ever to be palatable to those for whom folk in a rock context means the gentle whimsy of Suzanne Vega or the master crafts. man approach of Fairport Convention.
But the days when the Pogues could be
ignorantly dismissed as talentiess hooligans desecrating a noble strand of the Irish heritage have long since passed. That image was first called into question

on Rum, Sodomy and the Lash (1985), an album placed squarely in the post-punk idiom but drawing divine inspiration from the well of traditional Gaelic divine inspiration from the well of traditional Gaelic melody; it boasts a fine version of Ewan MacColl's "Dirty Old Town". If I Should Fall From Grace With God (1988) — album of the year in both The Times and The Guardian — spread the net wider with many gleeful bursts of cross-cultural musical ransacking. It includes the hit "Fairytale of New York", a single which took the immortal line "Happy Christmas your arse/I pray God it's our last" to No 2 in the festive chart.



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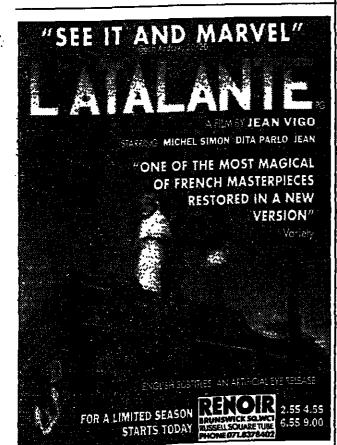
PINK FLOYD

he album which dominated the

super-league, and defined an era of aburm-orientated rock, selling over 19 million copies. But the slightly ponderous air of mystery which cloaks this epic, and its equally weighty follow-up, Wish You Were Here (1975), is some way removed from the sparky eccentricity of the Floyd's 1967 debut, The Piper at the Gates of Dawn. This album reflects the early dominance of songwriter Syd Barrett, who first moulded the group's R 'n' B beat-boom roots into a vehicle suitable for inter-planetary flights of the imagination. The subject-matter had become decidedly more earthbound matter had become decidedly more earthbound come The Walf (1979), by which time the group was labouring under the yoke of bassist/lyricist Roger Waters. However, guitarist David Gilmour took over for A Momentary Lapse of Reason (1987) which ushered in a giorious Indian summer for the band.

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CRITICS' CHOICE: JAZZ, ROCK AND WORLD MUSIC

RONNIE SCOTT'S CLUB: Trumpeter Maynard Ferguson hes out the high register runs with his apprentice big band, Big Bop Nouveau. Ex-Miles drummer Tony Williams takes over for one night only on Sunday, leading his somewhat arid neo-bop quintet. Branford Marsalis begins a week's residency on Monday. Ronnie Scott's Club, 47 Frith

Street, London W1 (071-439 0747). 9.30pm, Mon-Thurs, £10 (members £2), Fri-Sat, £12 (members £6), Sun, £12 (£10 in advance). KEN PEPLOWSKI: Making his first UK visit as a leader, the

Amencan reed player is promoting a lively Concord album, Mr Gentle and Mr Cool. Pizza Express, 10 Dean Street, London W1 (071-439 8722). tonight, 9 30pm, £6. Bull's Head, 373 Lonsdale Road, London SW13 (081-876 5241) (with Marlin Taylor), tomorrow, 6.30pm, £6. The

Fountain, Parkway, Welwyn Garden City (0707 325041), Sun, MARTIN TAYLOR: The guitarist's newest recording takes him into commercial fusion territory.

Bull's Head (as above), Sur lunchtime, Fri. Sat. 8.30pm, £4-£6. Pizza Express, 10 Dean Street, London W1 (071-439 8722), Wed,

SUN RA: Strangely popular with young audiences, the veteran bandleader serves up more interpalactic moonshine. Wigan International Jazz Festival, Mill at the Pier ition: 0942 825677), tomorrow, 8pm, £10. CLAIRE MARTIN: An assured

young singer whose repertoire ranges as far afield as Betty Carter HQ Restaurant, Camden Lock, London NW1 (071-485 6044). norrow, 8.45pm, set begins 10.30cm, £5 (free to diners). DIGBY FAIRWEATHER: As part of the City of London Festival, the comet player makes the first of five funchtime appearances, starting with guest trumpeter Kenny Baker. Broadgate Arena, off Liverpool Street, London EC2 (Information:

071-248 4260). Mon-Fri, 12.30-2pm, VORTEX JAZZ BAR: A notably strong week opens tonight with the quartet of township pianist

Mervyn Afrika, followed by saxophonist Barbara Thompsor (Iomorrow), up-and-coming planist lonathan Gee (Wed) and jazzblues singer Carol Grimes (Thurs). Vortex Jazz Bar, 139 Stoke Newington Church Street, London N16 (071-254 6516), rughtly,

8.30pm, prices vary. CLIVE DAVIS ROCK MADONNA: Compared with the Kylies and Sinittas who followed her. Madonna now seems like a

heavyweight proposition, even if she has squandered a lot of critical goodwill with her scandalously or new alloum, I'm Breathle Advance reports describe the costumes and dance routines as both stunning and provocative. Wembley Stadium, Empire Way, Middlesex (081-900 1234), tonight Sun, gates 4cm, £20.

TINA TURNER: Continuing the latest "larewell" tour from the 50year-old sequinned trouper who is rapidly turning into the Mr Chips of rock. With that gleaming smile and sexy gail she is always a game and entertaining performer who belts out her seamless material with remarkable zeal.

International Stadium, Gateshead (091-477 5511), tomorrow, Sun, gates 3pm, £18-£22. Ipswich Town Football Club, Portman Road (0473 217272), Wed, gates 3pm, £22-£24

THE ROLLING STONES: Keith Richards's sticky finger is on the mend and this week's dates go ahead as scheduled. The two Wembley shows have been put back to August 24 and 25. Original

tickets remain valid. Manchester City Football Ground, Maine Road, Moss Side (061-273 3775), tonight, tomorrow, gates 4pm, £20. ETTA JAMES: The rehabilitated

Sixties R 'n' B singer is in bold mood on her latest album, Stickin to my Guns, where she belts her way through material ranging from vintage Otis Redding ("I've Got Dreams to Remember") to modern dancefloor funk ("Get Funky" with LA rapper Del Jel). Town & Country, 8-17 Highgate Road, London NW5 (071-284 0303), Mon, Tues, 7.30pm, £10.

THE NEVILLE BROTHERS: SIN plugging their recent single, a ed version of Leonard Cohen's "Bird on a Wire", the

masters of New Orleans funk syncopation break off from their engagement as support act on loswich dates (see above) for a night of languid but irrepressible partying-down in their own right. Apollo, Ardwick Green, ster (061-273 3775), Mon,

7.30pm, £7.50-£8.50. DAVID SINCLAIR

WORLD MUSIC U. SRINIVAS: The mandolin is not the most expressive of

instruments, but this young player of Carnatic, South Indian music, manages to extract most of its Turner Simms' Concert Hall Southampton University (0703-671771), lonight, 7.30pm, 55. Pump Room, Bath (0225 315329),

tomorrow, 7.30pm, £5 The Albert (0204 364333), Sun. 3.30cm, £4. SHAUKAT HUSSAIN KHAN: This virtuoso tabla player from Pakistan will be performing solo as special guest on a programme which already includes Santoor player.

Kufa Gallery, Westbourne Grove, London W2 (081-346 3839), tomorrow, 7.30pm, 98.50. CELIA CRUZ: Performances by this remarkable Cuban-born singer the undisputed queen of Salsa

have become a highlight of the concert calender. She will be appearing with the equally nerated Tito Puente. Highly recommended. ersmith Palais, She Bush Road, London W6 (081-748 2812), Sun, 7.30pm, £10.

WOMAD AT RIVERMEAD: The

most ambitious festival of world music since Worned's first venture Performers on a strong bill include Van Morrison, Nigena's Femi Kuti, Cuba's Irakere, Algerian Rai star Chaba Fadele and Soriba Kouyate from Senegal. Rivermead Leisure Centre, Puchfield Avenue, Reading,

Berkshire (0734-591591), today-Sun, weekend tickets £30. BANDA MEXE COM TUDO: A ten-piece group from Brazil that explores the varied rhythms of

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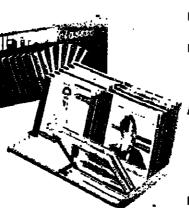
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the theatre after what seems a long

and inexplicable absence. He re-

mains a mannered but exciting

actor, using his high voice like a

flute, a reed, a trumpet, to weave

spells of sound almost like a

hypnotist. However, he is also

would seem flat. In the first scene,

for example - Derby Day evening

in a London pub - having backed

the wrong horse, he loses the rest

of his money on the tables, asks

his wife "What made you marry

me?", embraces then rejects her,

and pulls out a revolver with

Scotland Yard detective is observ-

ing a crack thief. All this happens

within five minutes, and dem-

onstrates the special (and quite

modern) qualities of melodrama:

raw emotions quickly raised to

fever pitch without elaborate

build-up, in sensational situations.

Kingston last week, claimed to

have cut all the asides. This is not

quite true, and it would have been

"The spider - at last" or "The man who showed me into Geof-

frey Ware's room that terrible

night - what can it mean?".

Much of the pleasure lies in the

recognisably melodramatic mo-

ments, the cries of "You infernal

jackanapes" or the admission

"Perhaps I have gone a step too far

this time". These come from Richard Moore's pleasantly soft-

voiced, villainous Spider. Other

enjoyable cameos among Spider's

entourage are Garry Cooper's mug-faced Corkett and Ronnie

HARRY EYRES

Leatham's vitriolic Cripps.

shame to miss such gems as

Wood, interviewed by Jeremy

Meanwhile, in the same pub, a

intent to kill a potential rival.

Without Howard, the evening

capable of explosive action.

THEATRE

The Silver King Chichester

VICTORIAN melodrama has not been so lucky with its champions as Victorian architecture. Perhaps because the latter is so very much with us, its virtues as well as its huge vices had eventually to be recognised.

However, Victorian drama, that vast body of work, has been consigned to invisibility. Of all melodramas, The Silver King, by Henry Arthur Jones and Henry Herman, was one of the most successful. It ran for a year after its first performance in 1882, and was revived often in the first half of the 20th century. Peter Wood's intelligent, if not totally convincing attempt to reclaim it as valid drama, or literature (as Matthew Arnold regarded it), yields some unexpected results.

Carl Toms' rather dark, heavy sets, which use the revolve to create interiors of pubs. offices and hovels, with grey brick ware-house walls in the background, anchor the piece in a Victorian London which suggests Dickens and Conan Doyle alike.

More important, Wood has opted for a fairly straight style of acting, eschewing the grand manner and exaggerated gestures. The main exception is Alan Howard's Wilfred Denver, the Silver King of the title, who gambles away his fortune, believes he has shot someone in a drunken fit, emigrates to America, makes a fortune and returns incognito.

It is good to see Howard back in

DANCE

English National Ballet

Coliseum

IT MUST have happened before,

but I cannot remember a previous ballet programme where there was

a different conductor for each of

three ballets. David Frame drew

the short straw, I assume; at any

rate he was allocated Ravel's

Bolero in the second programme

of English National Ballet's

ducted Martinu's Symphonic Fan-

tasies which this time went to

Graham Bond. The music sound-

ed different, but that must have

been largely because what was

visible while it was playing was no

longer Tudor's Echoing of Trum-

pets but MacMillan's original one-

act Anastasia. If proof was needed

that what is being watched affects what is being heard, this was it.

Anastasia had a new protago-

nist, Trinidad Sevillano. She is

much younger than previous

dancers in the role, but found the

full range of feelings for the

woman who either remembers or

imagines life as the Tsar's youn-

gest daughter, the death of her

family, escape, marriage, mother-

hood and innumerable torments

and humiliations. It was the more

The Prince's Trust

Wembley Arena

ORDINARILY, one would not

wish a cripping injury on anyone,

but the Prince of Wales's broken

arm looks a lot more like a bit of

good fortune than it did a couple

of days ago. It seems to have

prevented him from attending the

annual concert arranged for the

benefit of his charity, The Prince's

not often that listening to "Nights

in White Satin" is a highlight of

the evening. This is partly because

the Moody Blues do not exactly

Some guys have all the luck. It is

ROCK

The night before, he had con-

affecting for being played with a fearful reticence.

A guest conductor, Andrew Mogrelia, directed a sprightly account of John Adams's Common Tones in Simple Time for the evening's première, Dancing Ledge by Siobhan Davies. This is her first choreography for ballet dancers after experience with a variety of modern dance companies. The result is a lithe, twisting style of movement that seems to draw valuable qualities from both sides

The nine dancers are kept on the go almost the whole time, working in relays. At first they move among giant figures depicted on hanging panels; when these are pulled away, the stage is dominated by a big horizontal tube which revolves to reveal geographical shapes on its surface and lamns within.

This design by David Buckland reinforces the impression that Davies, as usual, has an inspiring idea concealed just beneath the surface of apparently plotless choreography. It is mainly fast, opening out only at the end to a slow rapt finale. A distinctive and highly enjoyable work, excellently danced, it is the last creation commissioned for the company by its departed director Peter Schaufuss, and one of the best.

perform it every day of the week, but mainly because it is a boring

song. They probably sang it to

remind Wembley Arena that they

used to be huge. The other number

they performed, from their latest

LP, seemed to acknowledge that

they are not any more. "I Know

You're Out There Somewhere,"

crooned Justin Hayward, doubt-

less referring to the record-buying

public that got away. He might

alternatively have been singing

about the audience, which by no

means filled the arena. The empty

Country set the tone for the

evening by wearing pyjamas. He

was not about to go to sleep

himself, but did not seem averse

to ushering other people in that

Early on, Stuart Adamson of Big

seats looked like the smart ones.

JOHN PERCIVAL



CONCERT Oliver Widmer

Wigmore Hall

SO HIGHLY respected and highly subscribed is the Wigmore Hall's Song Recital Series that any one recital within it automatically receives something of an advance imprimatur. For even the début of an almost unknown Swiss baritone, 24-year-old Oliver Widmer, the Hall was typically full.

Those who keep their ears to the ground will know that Widmer did not spring from nowhere. The surname has its own resonances (his father is the bass, Kurt Widmer) and Oliver had been booked on the understanding that anything that was good enough for the Hobenems Schubertiade was good enough for London. After lessons with Dietrich Fischer-Dieskau and the advocacy of Elisabeth Schwarzkopf, Widmer Jnr is now booked in to a healthy number of festivals and recital rooms. Some members of Wednesday's audience may well have wondered why.

Widmer has the quality of lyric baritone - effortlessly integrated, mellow, and bright with tenor Lieder singer could well have lights - which could be listened to all evening. As an interpreter, though, and a communicator, the

direction, and nor were a lot of

other acts on the bill. The other

thing he did was plug the band's new product. Self-publicity used

not to be comme il faut at these

charity events. However, Wet Wet

Wet were not above dropping

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timespan is somewhat shorter. Diction is delectable, yet Widmer has too little to say. The voice moves with supple grace, but it does not always seem over-concerned as to where it is going.

So fluent is Widmer's delivery that he glides over many nuances of melody and harmony in Schubert's ever-sentient word-setting and ignores some of the music's tougher fibres. In an all-Schubert programme, this does matter. Long, four-lined songs suffered the most his gentle, almost complacent approach came dangerously near to sending both the voice and the listener into a catatonic trance. "Der Fischer" too, began with some characteristically engaging, fresh story-telling, but its tragic ending was passed by in a tone of voice not dissimilar to that of the tender "Die Blumenbrief" or the tranquil

'Meeres Stille". Widmer, though, does possess a rare quality of wide-eyed, unself-conscious artistry and a latent sensitivity all too seldom found in young Schubert singers. If he can maintain this, break out of his narrow circle, and use both breath and imagination to cultivate different timbres and planes of experience, then his career as a places to go.

HILARY FINCH

her way through "Ain't Nobody and "I Feel For You", it sounded

body-swathing, purple sleeves. The most arresting show was but on by two four-man camera crews, employed by a little-known extra-terrestrial television station to capture the event for posterity. As they wheeled up and down in front of the stage looking for the truth-telling shot of the sweatsoused chanteuses, trying to keep up with Stansfield's caged-cat stomp, one realised why filmed concerts have a tendency to look flat and dull. On this occasion, though, the concert gave a big

suspiciously as if she was howling

for help from beneath her fluffy,

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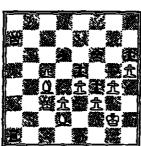
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AHIJAH
(a) Ahijah, the Shilonite, a prophet He intercepted Jeroboam as he was fleeing into Egypt as a rebel against Solomon. Ahijah caught hold of Jeroboam's new coat, tore it into 12 pieces, and announced to him that he would be king over ten of the 12 tribes of Israel, which was consolation for losing his coat.

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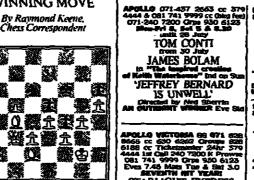
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Green Bay Packers in their wirs in the first two superbowls, makes a guest appearance to show Mark how the game should be played and why teamwork is so important. (Ceefax)

5.00 Newsround 5.05 White Peak Farm. Episode two of the three-part drama based on the Berlie Doherty novel about an isolated sheep farm and the family who work it seen through the eyes of 13-year-old Jeannie (r). (Ceefax) 5.35 Neighbours (r). (Ceefax). Northern

freland: Sportswide 5.40 Inside Utster 6.00 Six O'Clock News with Peter Sissons and Moire Stuert. Weether 6.30 Regional News Magazines.

Northern Ireland: Neighbours
7.00 Wogan. The guests are Nigel
Kennedy, Jean-Paul Gautiter and, with a
song, the cast of Showboat 7.30 Film: Secrets of the Phantom Caverns (1984) starring Robert Powell and Timothy Bottoms. An unexplored cave requires a transmitted system, so an expert is hired to blow a hole in the mountain. When the system is installed, two guards mysteriously disappear and the group of anthropologists who are sent down to investigate the cave soon discover

(Ceetax) 9.00 Nine O'Clock News with Martyn Lewis. Regional news and wer 9.30 The Paradise Club: Crack in the

why. Directed by Don Sharp.

Mirror. Drama series in which two brothers inherit their father's nightclub and his underworld network Danny is placed in a dancerous position when he refuses to become embroiled in the drug network of London (r). (Ceefax)

10.20 Omnibus Special: Van Gogh.

● In Arma Benson Gyles's charmadocumentary A to Z about the painter. all the letters are present and correct
but not always in the right order. Thus, Toulouse-Lautrec gets his entrance cue right only at third attempt, and Van



Linus Reache's demented painter (10.20pm)

Gogh pére plants the traumatic milestones along the road of his son's life even before Vincent sets out on the journey. These are, however, legitimate dramatic devices in a film that does not intend to be chronologically correct, but rather chooses to throw revelstory light from the past to the present and vice-versa, and the idea works very well indeed. Which is more then can be said of the sudden eruption of a 1990-ish television continuity girl, complete with clipboard, into the same comfield through which Van Gogh (Linus Roache, every bit as demented as Kirk Douglas's Vincent in Lust for Life) is stricting in the previous century. (Ceefax)

12.00 Film: Shoot the Moon (1981) starring Albert Finney and Diane Keaton. A highly-charged drama following the break-up of a marriage. Directed by 2.00am Weather

> Tominson. Attempts to beautify Birmingham with hanging baskets and window boxes are examined, although it would take more then a few plants to achieve this effect. We also meet a Colchester rose-grower whose

> and Trinh Cong Son, Last of six films about artists facing adversity in their homelands. This programme looks at the plight of two artists who remained in Vietnam after the Communists took over in 1975. Van Cao, the elder of the two, has only recently been allowed access to the West and tells an interesting story about his life and his reasons for staying in his extremely poor country. Trinh Cong Son, once described as South Vietnam's Bob Dylan, re-enacts the journey from the South to Hanoi that he first took in 1975. As artists they insist that they must stay and suffer with their people, which is why neither has joined

(Ceefax)
10.20 Uncertainties: How Do I Create? Bob Peck narrates this series that looks at problems from angles that most

11.30 Weather introduces highlights of today's second round action from St Andrews

and India at Trent Bridge. Ends at 1.05

whing around: Laurel and Hardy (2.30pm) 2.30 Film: Four Clowns (1970 b/w). • Not everybody believes that the tate Robert Youngson was the person best fitted to make a perfect whole out of a whole string of clips from old

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6.00 TV-am begins with News and Good Morning Britain presented by Maya Even and, from 7.00, by Mike Morris and Lorraine Kelly. With news on the hour and summanes on the half hour. After Nine, introduced by Kathy Tayler, includes Russell Grant with the corning week's sun signs 9.25 He-Man and the Masters of the

Universe (r) 9.50 Thames News and weather 9.55 Inspector Gadget (r) 10.25 Vicky the Viking 10.50 News headlines 10.55 The Adventures of Black Beauty.

The black horse is faced with more peni when Vicky, Kevin and their father discover traps to enshare poachers and try to dismantle them (r) 11.25 Just for the Record. Vic Younger

may be 75 years old, but he can still do things that would test the most energetic youth, such as litting three times his own weight. Presented by Garry Who 11.50 Thames News and weather 11.55 Tube Mice (r) 12.05 Rainbow. Children's learning with puppets series (r) 12.25 Home and

Away. Australian drama senal 12.55 Thames News and weather 1.00 News at One with John Suchet.

1.20 Coming of Age. Paul Dooley stars in the comedy series about a retired pilot and his family 1.50 A Country Practice. Australian medical drama senal set in an outback medical

CHANNEL 4

6.00 Noah's Ark. The birdlife of Venezuela's Marracoy National Park (r)

6.20 Business Daily 6.30 The Channel Four Daily

9.25 The Art of Landscape. Mood-

Peterborough.
12.00 The Parliament Programme

presented by Sue Cameron 12.30 Business Daily. Financial and business news service

2.00 The Manager. Open College

1.00 Sesame Street (r)

making music and inspiring

photography 11.00 As it Happens. Michael Groth looks

into life at the East of England Show in

programme about modern management. (Teletext)

comedy movies. Laurel and Hardy's Laughing 20s was constantly marred by a jokey script that worked against

2.20 Moneywise. A new series in which Frank Bough gives handy tips on money management, starting with how to save money on the cost of a house

2.50 What's My Line?, Long-running quiz show, now with Angela Rippon at the helm, in which a panel of celebrity guests has to try to guess the contestants' occupations. This afternoon the regulars — Jilly Cooper and Roy Hudd — are joined by Kim Hartman and Sill Wiggins 3.15 News summary 3.20 Tharmes News headines 3.25 The Young Doctors. Austraken medical drama serial

3.55 Art Attack, Ideas to bring out the artist in everyone 4.15 Garfield and Friends 4.45 I Can Do That. The programme which provides the apportunity to spend one day doing the job you always dreamed of. Emma, Matthew and Phoung compete to win a place as a window-dresser in

5.10 Home and Away (r) 5.40 News with Sue Carpenter. Weather 5.55 Crime Monthly Preview presented by Paul Ross

6.00 Six O'Clock Live introduced by Michael Aspel 7.00 The \$64,000 Question. Bob Monkhouse presents another round of

the game show. (Oracle)
7.30 Coronation Street. (Oracle)
8.00 International Athletics. The
Parcelforce Games from Crystal Palace, introduced by Jim Rosenthal. Commentary is supplied by Alan Parry, Peter Matthews and Steve Ovett and coverage continues on Channel 4

9.00 Island Son. Hawaii-set medical drama starring Richard Chamberlain. (Oracle)

10.00 News at Ten with Sandy Gell and Trevor McDonald. Weather 10.30 LWT News and weather

10.35 Crime Monthly. Paul Ross examines recent crimes committed in London and the South East, revealing how some of them have been solved and asking for viewers' help with others 11.35 Dick Tracy — Behind the Badge. A look behind the scenes of the film which,

its distributors hope, will be this summer's blockbuster. Including interviews with Warren Beatty, who directs and stars, and co-star Madonna 12.05am We Got It Made. Formula an sit-com. David takes a second job as a drummer in a nightclub

where the star attraction is a troupe of

exotic male dancers

12.30 William Tell. Will Lyman stars as the
Swiss folk hero fighting the tyranny of
the mighty Austrian Empire

1.00 Wrestling. The NWA Pro
International. Followed by News

neadlines 2.00 CinemAttractions. The latest film

news, reviews and gossip from the US.
Followed by News headlines
2.30 Ice Hockey. Boston play Edmonton
3.25 International Rugby. Live coverage from Christchurch of the first of three matches between New Zealand and Australia. The commentators are Keith Quinn, Grant Nisbett and Earle

Kirton 5.00 FTN Morning News with Christabel King. Ends at 6.00

BBC 2

6.45 Open University: Science - Fires of Life. Ends at 7.10 8.00 News 8.15 Westrn

9.00 Mastermind 1986 presented by Magnus Magnusson (r) 9.00 Golf: The Open. Harry Carpenter

presents highlights of yesterday's first round from St Andrews (r)

10.10 Cricket and Golf. Coverage of the second and final one day international between England and India at Trent Bridge. The commentators are Richie Benaud and Jack Bannister with summanes by Ray Illingworth and Sunil Gavaskar. Plus second round coverage of the Open Golf from St Andrews. The commentating team is Peter Aliss, Bruce Critchley, Alex Hay, Clive Clark and Mike Hughesdon

1.20 Greenclaws with Nick Mercer and Stella Goodler (r)

1.35 International One Day Cricket. Further coverage of the one day international between England and India at Trent Bridge

2.00 News and weather followed by Weekend Outlook. A preview of this weekend's Open University programmes (r) 2.05 Cricket and Golf. Further live

Andrews. includes news and weather at 3.00 and 3.50 7.30 First Night of the Proms. e it's "make your mind up" time again: to watch and listen on BBC2, or just listen on Radio 3. You will know the arguments, for and against both alternatives, only too well by now. Better sound on Radio 3, provided you have gone all FM. Improved sound on television, but still not on every set,

coverage from Trent Bndge and St



Proms luminary: Sir John Pritchard (7.30pm)

and television directors have long ago learnt that they risk being tynched by every intelligent music-lover if they insist on performing silly tricks like showing the conductor's image reflected in a tuba or the resin powdering off a violin bow. Tonight r's Symphony No 2, with Andrew Davis on the rostrum, the BBC Symphony Orchestra and Chorus, London Philharmonic Choir, and soloists Margaret Price and Anne-Sofie von Otter. The whole marvellous evening is dedicated to the memory of conductor Sir John Pritchard, the Proms luminary, who died last

December 9.00 Gardeners' World. Later than usual edition of the BBC's popular gardening programme. Geoff Hamilton, Nigel Colborn and Anne Swithinbank visit the tergest Bonsei nursery in England and meet leading Bonsai artist Herry

nursery is 225 years old 9.30 Homelands: Vietnam – Van Cao

he exodus, estimated at more than a million people, over the last decade.

minds would not even contemplate 10.30 Newsnight with Donald MacCormick 11.15 What the Papers Say. Peter Millar, deputy editor of *The European*, looks at reactions in the week's Press to the Nicholas Ridley affair

11.35 Golf: The Open. Herry Carpenter 12.15em International One-Day Cricket Tony Lewis presents the ups and downs of the day's play between England

the grain of the visual styles of these great comedians. The Golden Age of Comed) was marginally better, but the wisecracks still jarred. Four Clowns was Youngson's swansong, and he bowed out in fine style with generous excerpts from some of the silent films of Laurel and Hardy. Buster Keaton and Charlie Chas pièce de résistance is Keaton's Seven Chances, and its lamous pursuit sequence involving 2,000

prospective brides
4.15 Movie Museum (b/w). The history of n, from the early days of the art. Footage today includes The Burning Stable, made in 1897, and The Musketeers of Pig Alley, made by D. W. Griffiths in 1912 with Lillian Gish as a sweetheart caught up in the underworld

.30 Countdown 5.00 I Love Lucy (b/w). Vintage Hollywood marriage sitcom, with Lucille Ball always out to get in on hubby Desi Amaz's act

5.30 Mother and Son. Australian comedy about a middle-aged man who never quite flew the nest. Starring Ruth racknell and Garry McDonald

6.00 This is Life. You can't accuse this girin documentary of giving a one-dimensional view of alcohol and drugs addiction in the north-east. The ghastly statistics ribbon their way You can't accuse this grimacross the screen like lists of casualt streaming off the battlefields after a bloody engagement. The accompanying pictures show lost-looking figures moving in slow-motion through a surreal, urban landscape. And on the soundtrack, there are the admonitory words of the Sunderland songwriter
Antony Harwood ("Don't steal rainbows
from the skies, "Cos when you do, a colour dies"). Harwood is rightly accused by interviewer Eric Robson of having "a bloody evil sense of

humour" when he tells his

TYNE TEES

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YORKSHIRE

As London except: 1.20pm-1.50 The Magic Wok 3.25-3.55 Santa Barbara 6.90 Northern Life 6.30-7.00 Festival 90 10.35 Documentary: At Home in a Castle 11.20 Beauty and the Beast 12.20pm Sledge Hammerl 1.00 Finday the 13th 1.55-3.25 Film: Hamsed

As London except 1.20pm-1.50 Mon-eyesse 3.25-3.55 Leave it to Mrs O'Bren 6.00 Sx Yonghi 6.30-7.90 Trailbiszers 10.35 Joe Dolan at the Grand Opera House 11.35 Beauty and the Beast 12.30em Marred...with Children 1.00 Fnday the 13th 1.55-3.26 Film: Hunted.

As London except: 1.25pm-2.50 Film: Whesting in Dode* 6.00 Celender 6.30 What's On 6.45-7.00 Green Alert 10.35 Film: Dr Scorpion 12.25em The Ray Bractury Theetre 1.00 Video View 1.30 The Funny Farm 2.00 Jake and the Fatmen 2.55-3.25 insight.

Starts: 6.00em Noeh's Ark 6.20 C4 Daily 9.25 Sesame Street 10.25 Film: Gashghr

interviewer that he thinks the drugs scene is "quite tunny really" and "not depressing"
6.30 Tour de France 1990. Stage 19 —
Castillon la Bataille to Limoges, a

distance of 185km. Phil Liggett and Paul Sherwen are the commentators 7.00 Channel 4 News with Jon Snow and Zeinab Badawi. Weather 7.50 Book Choice. Novelist Minette

Marrin reviews The Last Word, a new collection of stories by Graham Greene. (Teletext)
8.00 Brookside. True-to-life soap set in Liverpool. (Teletext)

8.30 The Encircled Sea: The Mediterranean Past and Present. Series about the history of the Mediterranean, on the shores of which

civilisation as we know it came to be. (Teletext) 8.55 International Athletics. The Parcelforce Games, live from Crystal Palace, continued from ITV

10.00 Cheers. Loverboyd. High-quality
American comedy series set in a Boston
bar starring Ted Danson and Kirstie
Alley. (Teletext)

10.30 Roseanne. More American comedy, with a plump, overworked wife and

mother wisecracking her way through life 11.00 Film: Terror of Mechagodzilla (1975). Another Japanese Godzilla movie, with the joke running a little bit thin by now. When the earth is

hreatened by Titanosaurus and Mechagodzilia, only a man in a rubber suit can save us. English language suit can save us. Engish anguage version, directed by inoshiro Honda.

12.35am Twilight Zone: Judgement Night. Rod Serling takes us on another journey into the strange dimension.

A seaman has a preminition that his freighter will be sunk by a Nazi submarine, but no one believes him.

12.00 Parliament Programme 12.30 Newvol-

12.00 Partiement Programme 12.30 Newyddion 12.35 Y Sw Mor 1.00 Countdown 1.30 Business Daily 2.00 The Manager 2.30 Film: Jezebel* 4.30 Kate and Alie 5.00 World DJ Michard Chemponship 5.30 Ewis 6.00 Newyddion 8.15 Gwesty Teir Seren 6.40 Penawde 7.00 Tv A'r Wal 7.30 Resio 8.00 Golff 8.30 Newyddion 8.55 Codi Cwestiwn 8.45 The Springer and the SS 10.00 Rosenne 10.30 Tour de France 11.00 Film: Terror of Medragodzilla 12.35am Twilight Zone* 1.05 Tour de Franca 1980 1.35 This is Life 2.00 Diwedd.

Starts: 1.00pm News 1.05 Treasure Hunt 2.00 Showpumping 6.00 The Angelus 6.01 SecOme 6.25 Auto International 6.55 Nuscht 7.00 Play the Game 7.30 Room Outside 8.00 Father Dowling 9.00 News 9.20 Glory Enough for AB 11.10 News Iollowed by Philip Marlowe 12.05am Close.

Starts: 9.30am Bosco 10.00 British Open Golf and Tour de France 6.30 Home and Away 7.00 Big City Metro 7.30 Coronation Street 6.00 News followed by Sportsword: 9.00 Coach 9.30 News followed by Life Calls 10.90 Tour de Empa

With Carl Lanser, Nehemiah Persoff and Patrick McNee 1.06 Tour de France 1990. See 6.30 1.35 This is Life. See 6.00. Ends at 2.00

NETWORK 2

RADIO 1.

5.00am Gary King 5.30 Bruno and Liz 9.00 Simon Bates 11.00 The Radio 1 Roadshow 12.30pm Newsbeat 12.45 sary Deves 3.00 Steve Winght in the Alternoon 5.30 News 90 6.00 Round Table 7.30 Jeff Young's Big Beat 10.00 The Enday Rock Show 12.00-2.00sm The Ramun' Miss P

RADIO 2

FM Stereo and MW
4.00am Steve Madden 5.30 Chris
Stuart 7.30 Derek Jameson 9.30 Judith
Chalmers 11.00 Jammy Young 1.05pm
David Jacobs 2.05 A House in a Garden:
Giora Hunnstord and Alan Trichmarsh
visit the Palace of Versalles 4.00 Par Boone
5.05 John Dunn 7.00 My Music 7.30
Friday Night is Music Night 9.00 Listen to
the Band 10.00 Radio 2 Arts
Programme 12.05am Jazz Parada 12.30
Criema Scrapbook 1.00am 4.00 Geoff
Oaley with Night Rod Chierma Scrapport Fueler-Aus Geni Ouley with Night Ride MW as above except: 6.45-7.00pm Sport and Clessified Results 8.00-10.00 Athletos Special: Parcetorce Games at Crystal Palace

WORLD SERVICE

All times in BST.
6.00am World News 6.09 24 Hours; News Summary 6.30 Londres Main 6.59 Weather 7.00 Newsdesk 7.30 Mentian 8.00 World News 8.09 24 Hours, News Summary and Francal News 8.30 To Flight a Wrong 9.00 World News 9.09 World of Fath 9.15 Music Review 10.00 World News 10.00 Flevriew of the British Press 10.15 The World Today 10.30 Financial News; Sports Roundup 10.45 Seven Seas 11.01 Focus on Fath 11.30 Mer Magazine 11.59 Travel News 12.00 World News 12.00 m News about Britan 12.15 Global Concerns 12.30 Mendian 1.00 Newsreel 1.15 To Right A Wrong 1.45 Sports Roundup 2.00 World News 2.09 24 Hours; News Summary and Financiat News 2.30 Short Story: The Devi From the Deep 2.45 Hers is Humph 3.00 World News 2.00 World News 3.00 Mendian 3.45 Journey to the Centre of the Earth 4.00 Newsreel 4.15 BBC English 5.30 Heute Alduel 5.00 World News 5.09 News About Britans 5.15 BBC English 5.30 Londres Sor 8.15 The World Today 6.30 Heute Alduel 5.00 World News 5.09 News About Britans 5.15 BBC English 5.30 Londres Sor 8.15 The World Today 6.30 Heute Alduel 5.00 World News 9.09 The World Today 9.25 Words of Fath 9.30 Science in Action 10.00 News Summary 10.01 Sports Roundup 10.15 The Tom Robinson Collection 10.30 People and Politics 11.00 Newsdesk 1.30 From the Weekless 2.01 Outdook 2.25 Financial News 2.30 Liste Plan Medicas 2.45 Book Choice 3.00 World News 12.05em Contract of the British Press 3.15 Newsdesk 1.30 From the Weekless 2.01 Outdook 2.25 Financial News 2.40 News About Britan 4.15 Sportsworld 4.45 Nachnichten 5.35 News 10 German 5.47 Press Review 5.52 Financial News 5.56 Weather and Travel News 1.55 News in German 5.47 Press Review 5.52 Financial News 5.56 Weather and Travel News

RADIO 3 6.55am News and Weather 7.00 Morning Concert: Stanley (Concerto No 5 in A: Partey of Instruments under Roy Goodman); Vaughan Williams (Concerto grosso: LPO under Adrian Boult)

7.30 News
7.35 Morning Concert (cont): Liszt
(Mephisto Waltz No 1: LPO
under Sotti); Mussorgsky (The
Song of the Fiee: Pasta
Burchuladze, bass, Ludmilla
Ivanova, piano); Kelinnikov
(Symptomy M. 1 in G. minor. (Symphony No 1 in G minor: SNO under Neeme Jarvi)

Composers or the veces: Rameau, Platée, Comédie lyrique in a prologue and three acts, excerpts (Soloists; Françoise Herr Vocal Ensemble; Les Musiciens du Louvre under Marc Minkowsk 9.35 Moming Sequence (FM only from 10.40): Villa-Lobos (Bachianas Brasilieras No 5: Pleeth Cello Octet); Tallis (Loquebantur vanis linguis: Taverner Choir under Andrew Parrott); Meyerbeer (La Chanson de Maitre Floh:

Siephen Varcoe, baritone, Grahem Johnson, piano); Stravnsky (Ballet, The Rite of Spring, 1947: LPO under Charles Mackenss); Rachmaninov, arr Wild (Floods Cheries Mackerras);
Rachmaninov, arr Wild (Floods of Spring, Op 14 No 11; Where Beauty Dwells, Op 21 No 7: Earl Wild, piano); La Comtesse de Die (A chantar m'er de so qu'ieu non volria; Mara Kiek, volce); John Adams (The Chairman Dances, Foxtrol for Orchestra: San Francisco Somarlar Edo de Waart); Hahn under Edo de Waart); Hahn (Venezia: Anthony Rolle

Italian Rant; Bouzer Castle:
Broadside Band); Elgar (The
Wand of Youth, Suite No 2:
RLPO under Vernon Handley);
J.G. Waither (Concerto in B
misnor after Signor Mack:
Margaret Phillips, organ)
10.40-7.30pm Cricket Special:
England v India, the second
Texaco Trophy one-day
international from Trent Bridge
1 05pm News 1.10 A Passage 7.30 Commentary 11.55 BBC Philharmonic (FM only) under Elgar Howarth performs Maxwell Davies (Trumpet Concerto); Haydn (Symphony

10.00

8.30 News 8.35 Composers of the Week:

Johnson, tenor, Graham Johnson, peno, Felicity Lott, soprano, Richard Jackson, baritone); anon/Playford (An Italian Rant; Bouzer Castle:

1.05 Manchester Summer Recital (FM only): Michael Colfins, clarinet, Noriko Ogewa, plano, perform Debussy (Première

International from Feet Brodge 1.05pm News 1.10 A Passage to India. The MCC tour of India in 1972/3 is recalled by Christopher Martin-Jenkins (r) 1.30 County Scoreboard 1.40-7.20 Competition.

perform Debussy (Première Rapsodie); Martinú (Sonetina); Brahms (Soneta in E flat, Op 120 No 2); Donato Lovreglio (Fantasy on Thermes from Verd's La travista)

2.00 Barshal Conducts (FM only) the BBC Welsh SO. Shostakovich, arr Barshai (Chamber Symphony, Op 83s); Stravinsky (Suite, The Firebird, 1919)

2.50 Monodes and Centates (FM 2.50 Monoches and Centates (FM

only) from the 17th century. tephen Varcoe, baritone. Nigel North, theorbo, perform John Blow (Arms, He Delights in Arms; Rise, Mighty Monarch); Purcell (Music for a While: Begin the Song, sacred caniata); Monleverdi (Partenza amorosa); Cazzati (Cantata, Factum est praelium magnum): Carissimi (O vulnera doloris); Caccini (Amor

chiatiendi) (7)
3.30 Mining the Archive (FM only):
From the 1966 Proms, the
LSO under Istvan Kertesz
performs Schubert (Unfinished Symphony): Mozart (Sintona concertante in E flat, K 279b); Dvořák (Symphony No 6 in D), incl at 4.40 The first prom is incl at 4.40 The inst promis recalled by Lady Harty, and Sir Henry Wood talks about his role in the concerts 5.30 John Lill (FM only): Live from Bishopsgate Hall. Rachmaninov (Etudes-tableaux, Op 33, Nos 1-5); Prokofiev (Sonata No 6 in A minor)

minor)
6.30 The Big White Chiefs (FM only): In the final programme, Mel Hill contrasts and compares planist Dave Brubeck and saxophonist Geny Musligan
7.00 News (FM only)
7.05 Prom Preview (FM only): Anthony Burton, Susan Bradshaw, Malcolm Hayes and Bayan Northcott in conversation with John Drummond, planner of the Proms Sesson

Proms Season 7.30 Proms 1990 — The First Night: Andrew Davis conducts Mahler's Symphony No 2, 9.05 The Finday Play: Night and Day, by Torn Stopperd. Set in a fictitious Atrican country, this hard-edged comedy tocuses on British journalism and the freedom of the press, With Adam Godiev as, leach With Adam Godley as Jacob

LW (s) Stereo on FM 5.55am Shipping Forecast 6.00 News Briefing: Weather 6.10 Farming Today 6.25 Prayer for the Day 8.30 Today, incl 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 News 6.55, 7.55 Weather 8.35 Yesterday in Parliament 8.57

9.00 News 9.05 Desert Island Discs: Sue Lawley with Jean Rook (s) (r) 9.45 Feedback: Chris Dunkley airs ledeners' comments on BBC

programmes and policy 10.00 News; Special Assignment 10.30 Morning Story: The Giant, by Brian Friel. Read by Ian McEthinney 10.45 Daily Service (s) 11.00 News; Back to Africa (new

News; Back to Africa (new senes):

• Ferdinand Dennis, a Jamaican journalist of African descent, returns to West Africa after a five-year absence. And, if tonight's report on Liberia, 10 years after Doe's military coup, is anything to go by, his six-part investigation won't fulfil his expectations of being reunited with a long-lost lover. More prosaically, Africa turns out to be a continent where many be a continent where many laudable ideals are conceived but seldom realised. Or, as a

Liberian newspaper editor and Baptist minister tells Dennis: "It's not democracy that has failed Africa, it's Africa that

halied Amca, it's Amca max has failed democracy." (t) 11.47 Enquire Withm: Diffy Barlow tackees listeners' questions 12.00 News; You and Yours from Belfast, Northern Ireland 12.25pm Classes Apart: Relations and Revelations. Three very different families living in Somerset talk to Jenni Mitte about their confrestion lives. about their contrasting lives.

The last of sx programmes
12.55 Weather
1.00 The World at One
1.40 The Archers (r) 1.55 Shipping 2.00 News; Woman's Hour:
Presented by Helen Boaden
from Manchester. The last
edition in the Back to the
Future series tocuses on
flexible working. The guest is
Joanne Foster, chair of the
Ental Concorturities

Equal Opportunities 3.00 News; Classic Serial: The Horse's Mouth. The last of a three-part dramatisation of loyce Cary's novel (s)

RADIO 4

4.00 News
4.05 To Keep the Memory Green:
Humphrey Carpenter profiles
six flourishing literary
societies. Part 5: The John Buchan Society
4.30 Kaleidoscope (s) (r)
5.00 PM 5.50 Shipping Forecast
5.55 Weather

5.55 Weather 6.00 Six O'Clock News; Financial

Report
6.30 Going Places: Travel and transport news
7.00 News
7.05 The Archers
7.20 Pick of the Week with Ken Bruce (s) 8.05 Any Questions? James

a Any Cruestions? James
Naughtie in Worthing with
panelists Baroness
Blackstone, mester of Birbeck
College; journalist Paul Foot;
John MacGregor, MP,
Secretary of State for
Education and Science; and
Baroness Seear, deputy
leader of the Liberal
Democrats in the House of Democrats in the House of

Lords 8.50 Law in Action: Marcel Berlins takes a look at events in the

sares a rook at events in the courts

9.15 Kalexdoscope: Filming by Numbers. Sequels are all the rage. Rocky IV. Ghostbusters II. Gremins II. and Back to the Future III. to name but a few. Nigel Andrews examines the trend, and talks to people in the film educator. Including the film industry, including Michael Winner, Wes Crave John Carpenter, Steven

John Carpenter, Steven
Spielberg and Charlton
Heston (s)

9.45 Letter From America by
Alistair Cooke 9.59 Weat

10.00 The World Tonight with

10.00 The World Toright with Richard Kershaw
10.45 A Book at Bedtime: The View from the Ground, by Martha Gellhom (final part) (s)
11.00 Little Blighty on the Down: The comical goings on in the fictional village of Little Blighty. With Jo Kendall, Michael Troughton, John Baddeley, Daniel Strauss, Bernadine Comgan and Jonathan Kydd (s)
11.25 The Financial Week with Smon Cox Simon Cox 11.45 Today in Parliament 12.00-12.30am News, incl 12.20 Weather 12.33 Shipping

Forecast

FM as LW except: 1,55pm Listening Comer (s) 5.50-5.55 PM (cont) FREQUENCIES: Radio 1: 1053kHz/285m;1089kHz/275m;FM-97.6-99.8. (London area FM-104.8.) Radio 2: 693kHz/433m;909kHz/330m;FM-88-90.2 Radio 3: 1215kHz/247m; FM-90-92.4. Radio 4: 198kHz/1515m;FM-92.4-94.6. Jazz FM 102.2. LBC: 1152kHz/285m; FM 97.3. Capital: 1548kHz/194m; FM 95.8. GLR: 1458kHz/206m; FM 94.9; World Service: MW 648kHz/463m.

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Ban on adviser secured by SIB

is to be boring in politics.

Road ground as Somerset go in for lunch yesterday in conditions far removed from the floods of January

Glorious cricketing weather here at last

By ROBIN STACEY

THE outfield at Worcestershire County Cricket Club was playing a lot faster in yes-terday's balmy weather than it would have done on January 29 this year when the stumps would not have broken the surface of the floodwater and neither, perhaps, would the shorter players have done.

Spectators in the lower tiers in front of the clubhouse at the New Road ground in Worcester were able to sunbathe in temperatures topped 80F in scats that earlier in the year would have provided bathing of a different nature.

While autograph hunters tackled Somerset players com-ing in for lunch in Worcester, virtually the whole of Britain

lazed in hot weather. Heathrow recorded the highest mid-afternoon figure of 86F.

However, temperatures were still much below the record July temperature in England and Wales of 100F registered at Tonbridge, Kent, on July 22, 1868. Epsom experienced a temperature of 97F in 1911, also on July 22.

Yesterday, the Lea Valley Water Company extended its ban on hosepipes and water sprinklers to 30,000 consumers in Harlow, Essex, and 19,000 around Epping.

The ban is to come into effect on Saturday at the same time as a similar restriction affecting 113,000 homes an-



Chief constables agree plan for 'British FBI'

By Stewart Tendler CRIME CORRESPONDENT

A POWERFUL police overlord to control a new national criminal intelligence service and five super regional crime squads, has been proposed by chief constables. The plan could lead to the British equivalent of the FBL, covering serious crime across the country.

The plan for the intelligence service, the squads and an overall the Association of Chief Police Officers (ACPO) and will be put to the Home Office. David Waddington, the home secretary, has already committed himself to the intelli-

gence unit and will now have to consider the other recommen-dations. After a year of debate on the idea of an FBI, prompted by Sir Peter Imbert, the Metropolitan police commissioner, the chief constables have agreed on a plan known as "option E". This combines reorganization of the crime squads with an agreed policy to create a national intelligence unit

The present nine regional crime squads would be organised into ads covering the South-West, th Midlands, the South-East, the North-West and the North-East. The intelligence system would operate alongside them. Sir John Dellow, president of ACPO and

politan police, said yesterday that police wanted to see the plan in operation as soon as possible. No new legislation was required for the intelligence service. However, funding would be needed.

Sir John said that the overall director would be an operational officer of chief constable rank for a job which would be powerful and responsible. He would be responsible to a management committee inspectors of constabulary and customs officials.

Under the proposed system, the director would have two officers of deputy chief constable or equiva-

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lent rank below him. One would command the national criminal intelligence service, combining a number of existing intelligence groups including the national drugs intelligence unit, while the other would be in charge of crime squads.

The five squads are likely to have a total of 1,500 men to combat national and international crime. Scotland Yard's serious crime branch is expected to commit its central drugs squad, and its task crime, to the South-East squad. Sir John said that the yard's anti-terrorist branch might also be included.

The South-East squad, covering the area of greatest serious crime, would be led by an officer with the rank of assistant chief constable or its equivalent. The men in charge of the other four squads would have the rank of detective chief

The intelligence unit, which would be computerised, would be organised in a pyramid from localforces to regional offices and then to national offices. As many as nine national areas of intelligence could be included, ranging from drugs to

Sir John said that the system for holding the intelligence would be designed to prevent abuse or misuse and this would be foremost in the remit of supervisory officers.

NO JOURNALIST will ever cause for satisfaction, then in understand how important it the poll tax supremo it impsr

Why should he? A journalachievement. And a preacher knows he is saving souls when they shout "hallelujah!" from the aisles.

So if Neil Kinnock were a footballer, grand prix ace or latter-day Wesley, you would think it a criticism if I told you that he put in a boring

performance yesterday.

But he is none of those things. He is leader of the opposition. He started with a party in shambles. Every-thing went wrong. When he went to Africa they detained him at gunpoint; when he went to America they snubbed him; when he went to the Brighton he fell over on the beach; when he stayed at home they jeered And the

press reported it.

Last week, however, he went to America, made no mistakes, and was kept out of the British newspapers by the tragi government's exchange of Daphne Parish for the severed head of the trade and industry secretary. He returned unscarred, and

vesterday was his first Commons engagement. He had a go at Mrs Thatcher and Mrs Thatcher had a go at him. Nobody won, nobody lost. He didn't bring her down in flames - but then you never do. He satisfied his own supporters and gave no hostage to fortune. When Mr Kinnock rises

these days, people have stopped holding their breath and waiting for the gaffe. For most of this session he has been scoring a consistent B minus with the occasional B It is all he needs to do for

the moment - and as muchas Mrs Thatcher ever did as Opposition leader. For the morning's papers hardly to mention one's performance at the big match would be a disappointent to Paul Gas-

And if - in Mr Kinnock to be greeted by a yawn is a

arouse jubilation. Chris Patten had come

ist's job is to intrigue to down to the Commons to astonish: and he is not alone throw two or three billion in that. In football the pounds at next year's politax delighted roar of the crowd is bills. We knew that the adthe mark of success. To the vance. The figure would be racing driver the squeal of variously described as a tyres and the flourish of the wildly profligate (Mr. Patten chequered flag crowns his said his own backbeachers might think it so); a "palto welcome amelioration (Timothy Raison, C. Ayl

bury): a total about lace throwing the concept of the poll tax out of the winday. (John Fraser, Lab. Norwood) or a few mere sweeteners (Simon Hughes, the Liberal spokesman). We knew that too. None of this was a

how low-key it all was in been like bringing one o tles" to a kids party. Bu homoce. As the environment secretary raised the matter of aggregate external finance people began to yawn. Ne body knew what it was Nobody cared. As he drone on about "the lowering of the lief and composite her editaments eyes glazed over Mr Patten sat down to motine growls.

Bryan Gould rose. A hand

scampered out for tea. Don ble admission of failure said Mr Gould, excitedly Five more members of his own party drifted from the Chamber, "Shameful betrayal!" Jeremy Corbyn (Lah, Islington N) sloped off. "Unfair in principle, unworkable in practice ... a stam and a charade ... hapless poll tax payer ... " The Gouldian djectives were taking on a desperate aspect. Hyperbole hung in the hot summer air. Drowsiness overcame me and I decided to go. As I left. the gallery there were only 29 Labour backbenchers left to hear their spokesman

ful of his own side, who had stayed to hear the minister.

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MATTHEW PARRIS

Two die in coach crash

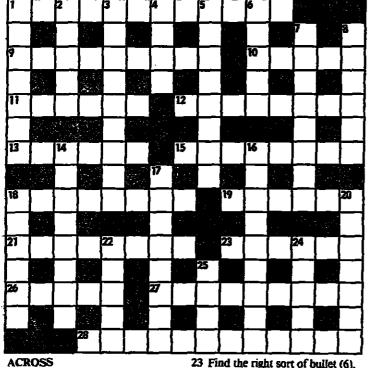
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TWO people were killed and freed the injured from the 56 injured four seriously when a double deck bus carrying American students on a Radcliffe Hospital in Oxford. taken to Wycombe General Hospital in High Wycombe. Buckinghamshire.

The students were attend-

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- I Arduous improvised solo in musical accompaniment (4-8). 9 Bitter oil could be extracted
- from this old sea-creature (9). 10 Smallest schoolboy is at end of
- 11 The downfall of Dombey, to give an example (6). 12 Dealer in thrillers? (8).
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- 2 About to show a leg and get up 3 General direction of attack (9). 4 Be up to no good (4).
- 5 Punish sailor in ship on tow (4-6 In the war, Granny longed for some of this (5).
- 7 Game said to feature many clubs (4-4).8 Stiffness of celebrity with companion (6).
- 14 Leave vehicle and alight in grassy area (8). 16 Greatly increase times for speak-
- ing (9). 17 Priest nearly goes on to fashion a rhyme (8). 18 Girl is my wife (6).
- 20 City letters held up by poor spelling (7). 22 Announced imposition keeps
- 24 Fawn brought up with colt originally would you believe it (5). 25 Overdone in Shakespeare, the wife in evil surroundings (4).
 - Concise Crossword, page 17

The Eleventh Penguin Book of The Times Crosswords is now on sale in bookshops, price £2.99.

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- a. A minor prophet b. A sceptical centurion c. An earless servant Answers on page 22

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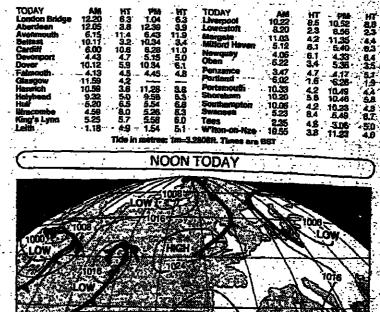
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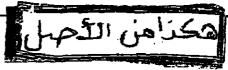
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Ban on adviser secured by SIB

● SPORT 38-42

THE Securities and Investments Board has, for the second time in less than a week, secured two injunctions to prevent an unauthorised adviser from giving investment advice.

Randhir Singh, formerly a top salesman with Abbey Life. has been ordered to cease conducting unauthorised investment business in contravention of section 3 of the Financial Services Act 1986. He has also been restrained from making misleading statements in contravention of Section 47 of the Act.

The SIB said it was investigating the affairs of Mr Singh who is not authorised to conduct investment business. Mr Singh of Dulwich, south London, was arrested and released on bail last month after an investigation by Scotland Yard into alleged irregular mortgage deals.

The SIB is continuing its

investigation into the affairs of Peter Owen-Jackson, a former tied agent of Albany Life, who had his assets frozen in the High Court this week.

GUS payout up Great Universal Stores, the mail order, Burberry and Scotch House group, raised pre-tax profits from £400.2 million to £417.3 million in the year to end-March. Turnover was £2.69 billion (£2.63 billion) The final dividend is 23.5p (21.5p), making a total of 34.5p (31.5p)
Tempus, page 27

P & P cash call P&P, the computer services group, is to raise £27 million in a three-for-eight rights issue

at 185p to eliminate £20 million of borrowings and fund expansion in Europe. In the six months to end-May, pre-tax profits rose 37 per cent to £6.8 million. The interim payout is 1.25p (1.1p)

Tempus, page 27 Clark rises 13% Matthew Clark and Sons (Holdings), distributor of wines and spirits, reported taxable profits up 13.1 per cent at £9.5 million for the April The fina dividend is 7.75p, making a

total of 13.5p (13p).

Tempus, page 27 THE POUND

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94.0 (-0.3) STOCK MARKET

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Closing Prices ... Page 31 INTEREST RATES London: Bank Base 15% 3-month Interbank 14³¹3: 14⁷8°5 3-month eligible bills 14¹¹3: 14¹⁶6°6 US: Prime Rate 10°6

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Retail Price Index: 126.7 (June)

Offer to resign is last hope for Alan Bond

By Angela Mackay

ALAN Bond, the Australian businessman, has offered to resign as chairman of Bond Corp and surrender control of the flagship company he built from scratch.

The offers came in package of sweeteners aimed at inducing holders of Bond Corp convertible bonds to approve the sale of Bond Brewing to Bell Resources, another arm of the Bond empire, and agree to a one-year moratorium on interest payments.

Bond Corp executives contend the two proposals will buy the embattled group more time to cut its crippling debt burden by finishing half-com-pleted deals to sell assets.

Bondholders of two issues with a combined value of \$US340 million met yesterday at Bond Corp's offices in Northumberland Avenue and agreed to adjourn the meeting until August 9. They had already planned to meet then to decide whether to appoint a committee to monitor Bond Corp's management.

If bondholders vote to approve the two proposals, Mr Bond said he would resign within 30 days. He also promised to surrender control of Bond Corp's board by reducing Dallhold Investments' voting rights to 25 per cent and restricting the number of Dallhold nominees to the Bond board to a minority. At the moment Dallhold, Mr Bond's family company, owns 58 per cent of Bond Corp.

"The proposed changes have been under consideration for some time, and our commitment to the bondholders to implement these changes within 30 days of their approving the brewery sale and the interest moratorium should confirm in people's minds our dedication to do everything necessary to restore full value to Bond Corp," Mr Bond said.

After reading his statement to the first meeting of bond-holders, Mr Bond left the meeting. Symbolising his new mood of appeasement. Mr

MIXED data on the economy

released by the government

and the Bank of England

yesterday showed credit grow-

ing less than expected, but the

rise in average earnings

Bank and building society lending rose by £6.9 billion,

seasonally adjusted, slightly

lower than the average of £7.1

billion for the previous six

months and well below the

£9.2 billion recorded in

March, which was the last

month in which banks levied

Year-on-year growth in the

broad definition of the money

supply, M4, fell from 17.1 per

cent to 16.8 per cent. Growth in the narrow definition of the

money supply, M0, fell from

6.9 per cent to 6.5 per cent,

still above the government's

The Treasury said the money supply and credit fig-

ures gave a clear indication of

a slowdown in the economy as

a result of maintaining firm

monetary policy.

target range of 1-5 per cent.

quarterly interest charges.

accelerating.

Bond refused to sit on the podium, and sat in the audience.

Insiders at the meeting said Swiss Bank Corp (SBC) had played a pivotal role in forcing Mr Bond's hand. The bank told Mr Bond and his executives that if it was faced with a choice on previous terms, they would vote against the resolutions.

Significantly, a representative of SBC moved yesterday that the meetings be adjourned until August.

Bond Corp is also expected to offer bondholders preference shares which, if converted, will give bondholders control of Bond Corp. For the first resolution on

Bond Corp needs a 75 per cent majority from holders of half the issues by value while for the coupon waiver, a 66 per cent quorum must give a 75 per cent approval. About 25 bondholders at-

tended yesterday's meeting

representing some 75 per cent

of the bonds on issue, according to Peter Lucas, a Bond Corp director. American creditors of Bond Brewing Holdings have ordered legal proceedings to begin in Australia against Mr Alan Bond and two BBH directors, declaring them personally liable for repayment of more than Aus\$646 million (£281 million) worth of deben-



Bond: taking back seat

Earnings accelerate as

credit growth slows

By Our Economics Staff

continued increase in season-

aliv-adjusted unemployment.

according to labour market

figures issued yesterday. Un-

employment rose 5,600 to

1,617,000 last month, leaving

the unemployment rate un-

The employment depart-

ment data provoked concern

that the counter-inflationary

squeeze has not yet produced

a rapid enough rise in un-

employment to exert suf-

ficient downward pressure on

pay settlements. Michael

Howard, employment sec-

retary, warned pay bargainers

that jobs would not survive

unless settlements took ac-

count of the long-term com-

petitive position of firms and

the economic climate. But he

voiced confidence that the

was consistent with the chan-

cellor's goal of lower inflation

and maintaining employment

The rise in male unemploy-

ment, mainly in the Southeast,

exceeded the overall rise, but

Average earnings growth was partly offset by a fall in accelerated to an annual 9.75 female unemployment. The

per cent in May despite a June rise was the third

present rise in unemployment

changed at 5.7 per cent.

The move could put the company's planned Aus\$1.8 billion sale of its breweries to Bell Resources Limited into jeopardy before several deadlines which also threaten to force BBH into liquidation. The decision by the American bond holders to sue was confirmed by the creditor's Australian lawyers.

It follows rejection at a meeting in America of the latest revised buy-back offer from BBH by a committee of Ameican bond holders.

It is believed the holders. who have been fighting for months for repayment of their debt through a winding-up action against BBH, have been For the first resolution on angered by a May 22 deal the sale of the brewing assets, between BBH and its syndicate of senior bank lenders.

The debenture holders would argue the deal breached director's fiduciary duties both under common law and statutory law - and prevented debenture holders from recovering their money, a legal spokesman said.

In other Bond group developments yesterday: Broker DJ Carmichael and Co said it had received a "steady rate of enquiries" for the tender sale of a 16.57 per cent stake in the Bond-controlled The Bell Group Limited, which owns The West Australian, the Perth morning newspaper. The tender follows a Federal Court order directtures (Brian Buchanan writes ing the holders of the parcel, Robert Maxwell, the publisher, and David Aspinall, the

Bell chief to put their shares

back on the market. Bond Media Limited shareholders agreed to hand back the Nine Televison Network to Kerry Packer for about 20 per cent of its cost three years ago. The fate of the takeover is effectively in the hands of Bond Media's minority shareholders because of a ruling by the National Companies and Securities and Commission disqualifying Bond Corp Holdings Limited and Mr Packer from voting their holdings.

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successive monthly increase.

Unadjusted figures showed

unemployment dropping by

Although employment de-

partment estimates point to

adjusted unemployment on an

upward trend of about 5,000 a

month, the odd fall in the

months ahead is not ruled out.

Gwynn Hacche, UK econo-

mist at James Capel, said the

figures gave "no real sign of

acceleration in unemploy-

ment." With unit wage costs

running at a seasonally-ad-

justed annual rate of over 10

per cent in the first quarter, he

said the jobless increase was

not rising enough to have an

Underlying average earnings grew by an annual 9.75

per cent in May, the latest

month available, unchanged

from April, which had been

In manufacturing, unit wage

costs in the three months to

May rose an annual 7.1 per

cent, providing an encourag-

ing slowdown from 7.6 per

cent in the three months to

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revised up from 9.5 per cent.

impact on pay.

22,917 in June to 1,555,610.

aid in UK under fire From MICHAEL BINYON

Industrial

IN BRUSSELS

THE European Commission has ordered Britain and three other countries to scrap large industrial aid because it distorts competition. Sir Leon Brittan, the com-

petition commissioner, has given the governments of Britain, Belgium. Italy and the Netherlands five months to abolish laws authorising general investment aids. He said these undermined the effect of regional aid and ran counter to regional development policy. an important EC objective. Britain has been ordered to

halt Section 8 of the 1982 Industrial Development Act. So far, about £1.9 billion has been paid out or pledged in general aid to industry. Promises can be honoured, but no new money can be made available after December 31.

Sir Leon's move toughens his campaign against state aid by banning existing industrial development schemes as well as new proposals. A spokes-man said the four schemes were singled out because they were the most blatant examples of indiscriminate aid, distorting competition and reducing the impact of aids targeted to particular sectors or regions. Other countries with similar schemes will be ordered to halt such aids as Sir

Leon's review gathers pace. He insisted that under the Treaty of Rome he was empowered to introduce such retroactive measures. Article 93 allowed Brussels to review all existing state aids and ban those which had been permitted but were now incompat-

ible with developments. Sir Leon reaffirmed his intention to destroy all remaining barriers to trade. "State aids will soon be one of the only means of protectionism left to a member state in intra-community trade," a commission statement said.

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Ferranti reports £161.7m loss



Eugene Anderson, the Ferranti chairman yesterday

STC shares soar with **Fujitsu move on ICL**

By MELINDA WITTSTOCK and WOLFGANG MÜNCHAU

SHARES in STC soared 24p million) for close to 80 per to 281p after Fujitsu, Japan's cent make initial City valualargest computer manufacturer, revealed it was poised to take a majority stake in the STC subsidiary ICL, Britain's largest mainframe computer

The deal, which will be announced with STC's interim results in two weeks time, is expected to value ICL at between £1.1 billion and £1.5 billion.

It is expected Fujitsu will take a stake in ICL of at least 50 to 60 per cent, with STC remaining as a minority shareholder.

Reports from Tokyo suggesting Fujitsu is willing to pay 180 billion yen (£670 tions appear overly optimistic

On yesterday's close, STC would be valued at about £1 6 billion, with ICL accounting for £1 billion of the value. But whole could command well over £3 a share.

Fuitsu's move, which follows last month's takeover of Britain's Apricot computer business by Mitsubishi. marks an increasing trend by Japanese companies to take a major role in Europe in the lead-up to 1992. The deal is sure to spark a political row.

Leading article, page 15 Outsmarting rivals, page 27 UAE missile contract.

FERRANTI International group, reported pre-tax losses of £161.7 million for 1989-90 after exceptional charges of £122.3 million yesterday and warned shareholders not to expect a dividend before December 1991.

Eugene Anderson, the chairman and chief executive, also unveiled a refinancing package pegged on a £46.8 million rights issue and said an announcement will be made soon on further ration-alisation and redundancies. Ferranti will make 20 per cent of its 12,500 international workforce redundant over the

next year, he said. Ferranti is undergoing rationalisation after discovering a defence contract fraud in ISC, its American subsidiary, which left a £215 million hole in its assets. The company has obtained damages judgments of several hundred million dollars against former senior management, including James Guerin, Ferranti's former deputy chairman, in the British courts and is trying to have them enforced in America.

Ferranti is now divided into three divisions; aerospace, strategic management and commercial and industrial. We have cleared the stable out, but it is nice to know there is still a racehorse in there," Mr Anderson said.

The company, which had a fall in turnover from £927 million to £795 million, sold £400 million of assets over the past eight months to satisfy bankers' demands, but is still short of cash.

As a result, Mr Anderson said the company will be selling assets including all or part of its 64 per cent stake in Zonephone to generate cash. But he stressed the new plans leave the company cash-positive for 1991, 1992 and 1993.

A syndicate of 27 banks led by National Westminster signed new facilities on Wednesday, leaving the firm with net borrowings of £75 million, against £110 million at the year-end, and access to £70 million of new advances and overdrafts. The one for four rights issue, arranged by Barings, is fully underwritten by more than 10 institutions.

Analysts said that while the worst is over, Ferranti still has several problems, particularly its dependence on defence sales. "The strategic management division is the only one in profit and there is still too great a dependence on defence," Patrick Wellington of County NatWst said.

Mr Anderson said 58 per cent of the company's turnover is from defence contracts. About half of £600 million of Ongoing turnover comes from defence contracts with the Ministry of Defence, the American government and a

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Pact leaves little scope for extra public spending

Cabinet safeguards £192.3bn target

By RODNEY LORD, ECONOMICS EDITOR THE cabinet yesterday set the scene for the toughest public spending round of recent years by agreeing to stick as closely as possible to existing plans.

This leaves little scope for increased spending despite the rise in inflation and the political pressures of a pre-election spending round. Ministers agreed to stick to the target figure of £192.3 billion set out in last autumn's public expenditure white paper. This target would result in public spending at a level of 39.5

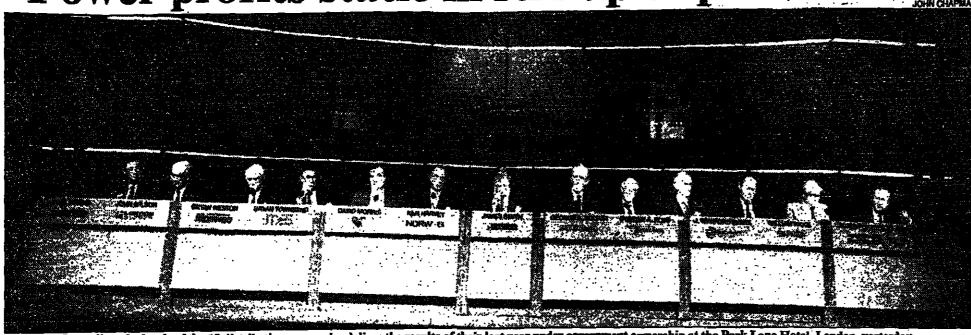
per cent of gross domestic product. The overbidding of about £15 million by spending departments was not discussed at the meeting, nor were any individual departmental claims dis-

John Major, the chancellor, who

issued a warning to backbenchers this week that there was no "pot of gold" available for tax cuts next year and that he would not be planning any preelection "boomlet", was said to have reiterated his determination to get a grip on inflation and to keep down public expenditure as a proportion of gdp. The prime minister endorsed Mr Major's recent warning that he had limited room for manoeuvre.

Ministers also accepted that the increase in public sector funds to sweeten the poil tax would leave less for other programmes. By adding nearly £3 billion to funding for local authorities, the government has effectively used up the scope for allocating the reserve to other programmes. Despite the difficulties, departments have made bids for extra spending running well into double figures in billions of pounds. Among the biggest bids are those for health, social security, education and transport. Demand for higher provision for public sector pay runs across all departments. The formula adopted by cabinet

yesterday leaves a loophole for raising cash spending. The government will stick as closely as possible to the existing planning totals, with the aim of keeping the ratio of general government spending, excluding privatisation proceeds, on a downward trend in relation to the economy. Because higher inflation will increase the size of the economy in money terms, a proportionate increase in public spending, perhaps worth about £4 billion, will be possible without disturbing the ratio.



Power line: the heads of the 12 distribution companies deliver the results of their last year under government ownership at the Park Lane Hotel, London, yesterday

distribution companies have reported flat performances for the 1989-90 financial year, their last under government

On a historical cost basis, operating profits before interest from all 12 companies rose just 2 per cent to £819 million. An elaborate presentation at the Park Lane Hotel in London prompted only a handful of questions from analysts, which were followed by an "embarrassing according to one analyst. He added that the accounts were a historical statement, but of little rele-

erty and shipping services entrepreneur, has sold part of

a joint venture with London &

the airport operator, owner-

ship of Southampton East-

Airports UK, BAA's subsid-

iary, has built up traffic at

Southampton over the past six

years and plans to spend about £20 million on a new terminal

to double passenger capacity.

BAA had been operating on

a lease. Now, for an un-disclosed sum, BAA has the

freehold of the airport, includ-

ing its single runway and

existing elderly terminal

buildings. These will be re-

placed by the new terminal

and other facilities will be

leigh Airport.

THE 12 regional electricity accounts in future. The City is assuming that profits have partly been held back by undisclosed provisions for bad debts and similar items which have been tucked away for the future. One analyst said he suspected there had been "a lot of prudent

But there was some surprise at the healthy profits from the £426.5 million on a historical vance to how the 12 com-panies will present their sons. He thought the im-

accounting".

National Grid Company, which is jointly owned by the 12 companies. The NGC made operating profits of cost basis. One analyst said this was "an extremely attractive set of figures", but noted

where there is planning per-

mission for a business park

and commercial develop-

adjacent to the airfield is

involved in this development.

commercial development was

first mooted it was suggested it

would involve spending about

£300 million and that almost

The airport, the main gate-

way for flights to the Channel

Islands, is one of Britain's

fastest-growing regional air-

ports. Its main catchment area

The deal brings to eight the

number of airports both

owned and operated by BAA.

The others are at Heathrow,

Gatwick and Stansted in the

is the Hampshire region.

4,000 jobs could be created.

When the business park and

BAA to take over

ownership of

de Savary airport

By OUR CITY STAFF

PETER de Savary, the prop- The partnership retains land

Edinburgh Trust to give BAA, ment. More than 40 acres

It is believed the deal with southeast, plus ones at Glas-

worth more than £15 million. and Aberdeen.

HOW THE TWELVE MEASURE UP (%)

to the whole operation had been underestimated.

The government is today likely to finalise negotiations

Macarthy

profits fall to £2.39m

By PHILIP PANGALOS

MACARTHY, the pharm-

aceutical wholesaler and

chemist, reports a drop in pre-

tax profits from £4.26 million

to £2.39 million in the six

mouths to end-June, on sales

down 2 per cent to £166.7

The company said the re-

sults were affected by in-

creased interest costs, con-

tinued losses in the the veterinary wholesale business

and implementation of a

rationalisation programme on

Redundancy costs led to

exceptional losses of £142,000. Manufacturing and

agency operating profits slip-ped from £1.41 million to

£1.33 million and wholesale

division profits fell from

Group interest payments

£805,000 to £577,000.

the manufacturing side.

million.

portance of the National Grid Electricity, the two companies that are still holding out over the amount of debt to be injected on privatisation.

A formal announcement is with Yorkshire and London due early next week. The 12 sales of just 1.5 per cent, he year."

companies say the negotia- said: "That's an opinion that tions and the outcome were anyone is free to have." 'hard but fair.' Duncan Ross, the chairman

of Southern, said: "The basis on which we are going to enter the new world seems to me a fair and reasonable one, and does give us flexibility." James Smith, the chairman

of Eastern and the spokesman

for all 12 companies at the presentation, blamed the flat profits on the mild winter, the need to renair storm damage. and the costs incurred in the run-up to privatisation. He refused to be drawn on prospects for the current year. Asked about a gloomy City forecast of an increase in unit there's more to come this

For the Labour party at least, the figures were a "rip-

off". Focusing on the current cost pre-tax line, including interest earned which would not be forthcoming postprivatisation, Frank Dobson. the shadow energy secretary, said the 17 per cent increase shown did not justify a 9.5 per cent rise in prices.

He added: "Equally scandalous is the way electricity users' money has been poured into the pockets of City advisers. Between them, the area boards and the grid company paid out £30 million, and

Northeast investment firm ordered to cease trading

By Jon Ashworth

Services, a Newcastle investment firm with £10 million on its books, has been ordered to cease trading following growing concern about its investment activities

The Investment Management Regulatory Organisation issued the order yesterday and has appointed trustees to protect client assets. The move follows the

suspension of Lovell & Co, the Newcastle stockbroker, which was ordered to cease trading last month after the discovery of a shortfall in the firm's capital.

The Securities Association went on to suspend Richard Hexton, an investment adviser at Lovell, for breaching the conditions of his securities

umped by 45 per cent to £1.67 Herrington was recently sold to Gainspec, a company million, with gearing at about owned by directors of Lovell. 80 per cent. Eps fall from the de Savary partnership is gow, Edinburgh, Prestwick 10.3p to 6.2p. The interim utive of Imro, said there had trolled by Royal Life, Royal dividend is maintained at 5p.

HERRINGTON Financial been concern about Herrington's connection with

> He said there was no reason to believe that any client money had gone missing, but Imro was concerned about the nature of investments made by the company. The choice of two or three

shares in particular had given Edward Klempka and Gor-

don Goldie of Coopers & Lybrand Deloitte have been appointed joint trustees of the company's assets. Mr Klempka is also trustee of client

Herrington has between 500 and 600 investors, mainly in the Northeast. The size of their portfolios ranges from £2,000 to more than £100,000, with an average investment of £18,000.

About £4.2 million of funds under management is in- be held in Newcastle on July John Morgan, chief exec- vested in broker bonds con- 30 when more details are

Heritage, and Providence Capitol Responsibility for the management of the bonds is being returned to the respective life offices. A further £5.8 million is in discretionary funds.

Mr Kempka said: "The trustees are hopeful of finding client funds intact, however some of the company's investments may be difficult to realise. Our powers as trustees are limited to preserving and protecting the company assets and client funds. "These powers do not ex-

tend to distributing company or client funds, therefore this appointment effectively places a temporary freeze upon withdrawals by inves-

clients by the trustee explaining where they stand. A meeting of investors will

A letter will be sent to

Midland's capital adequacy ratios and its level of provisioning against Third World debt, which, it said, "are

to £1.12m PRE-TAX profits at Zetters Group, the football pools company, advanced by 45 per cent to £1.12 million in the year to end-March. The previous year's result was depressed by the effects of the 1988 postal strike. Turnover grew 7 per cent to £25.6 million. Earnings per share rose from 7.2p to 10.2p. The final dividend is improved to 5.25p (4.5p), making a total of 7p (6p). The share price eased 2p to 140p.

BUSINESS ROUNDUP

Midland Bank debt

downgraded by S&P STANDARD & Poor's, the rating agency, has downgraded \$3.1 billion of Midland Bank's debt, blaming a downturn in major areas of its financial performance. The agency, whose ratings are closely watched by international bond dealers and investors, reduced the bank's long-term rating from AA- to

The agency said the move was caused by the downturn in profits at Midland and that "prospects for recovery in 1990 are unlikely given current market pressures." Midland lost £261 million last year due to Third World debt provisions. and issued a warning in March that its half-year operating profits would not match last year's. S&P also highlighted

A+, and its subordinated debt from A+ to A.

well below most peers .

Zetters rises

Lasmo buys oil assets

LASMO confirmed the acquisition of Placid Oil (UK). which holds a 22.97 per cent interest in North Sea block 16/12A, for about \$20 miltion. Lasmo is also acquiring Occidental's 26.74 per cent stake in the block in return for interests which include a stake in the Chanter field. The deals take Lasmo's share of block 16/12A which includes the Birch North Birch and Elm fields to 58.85 per cent.

Reckitt in £60m sale

RECKITT & Colman, the household products, food and pharmaceuticals group, is selling its Fine Art & Graphics division to AB Wilh Becker, a privately-owned Swedish decorative and industrial coatings group, for £60.7 million, including payment of inter-company debt.

The division, which includes the Winsor & Newton

Reeves and Dryad brand names, made pre-tax profits of £4.9 million on sales of £34.6 million in 1989. The sale proceeds will be used to help reduce the borrowings taken on by Reckitt & Colman to finance its £762 million acquisition of Boyle-Midway, the American bousthold goods manufac-

Peter Walker Tribune lifts joins Dalgety revenue 14%

FORMER cabinet minister Peter Walker, who as a former energy secretary came under fine for taking a. seat on British Gas's board last month, has accepted another directorship linked to his government career. Mr Walker, who was agri-culture minister from 1979 to 1983 and left the cabinet as Welsh secretary in March, is to be a non-executive director of Dalgety, the farm products and food group.

NET asset value at Tribune Investment Trust climbed from 269.6p to 278.6p a share in the six months toend-June, though it re-mained short of its end-1989 level of 294.1p. Pre-tax revenue advanced 14 per cent to £2.79 million. Gross revenue increased 14 per cent to £3,9 million. Earnings per share rose from 3.490 to 3.87p. The interim dividend has been improved to 1.7p, against 0.85p last time

German bank

groups merge

A MERGER between Bayer-

ische Vereinsbank of Munich

and the Vereins-und West-bank of Hamburg has created

West Germany's third largest

banking group with assets of DM195 billion. Bayerverein

has taken a majority stake in

Westbank, leading to greater

co-operation between the two.

The Munich bank had a 25.4

per cent stake in Westbank.

Sanwa reshuffle

Sanwa, the world's fifth largest

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GWR profits drop

GWR Group, the West Country independent local radio contractor, has imported a "black box" from America which it expects to save it millions of pounds in labour costs. The system, which awaits IBA approval, will allow the company to use just one DI across its five-station network with prerecorded local advertisements, news, traffic and weather:

GWR reported a fall in pre-tax profits from £799,315 to £454,407 for the six months to end. March due to an industrywide drop in advertising revenue. The company said advertising revenue, which was down 6 per cent, is now recovering. GWR's earnings per share are almost halved from 18.8p to 9.9p. The interim dividend is unchanged at 3p.

British Gas Advises its Long Period Interruptible Contract Customers of Price Reductions.

With effect from July,* 1990, British Gas will apply the following revised Scheduled Reference Prices to Table 5 incorporated within Schedule FI3 and Table B incorporated within Schedule CSP2. All other conditions within the Schedule remain the same.

| TABLE 5 | SCHEDULE F13 LONG PERIOD INTERRUPTIBLE – SCHEDULED REFERENCE PRICE | | | | | | | |
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| VOLUME BAND | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
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| MONTHLY CHARGE (£) | 760 | 1593 | 3176 | 4509 | 7009 | 7842 | 9925 | 9925 |
| NUMBER OF PREMISES | | | | PRICE PER | THERM (p) | | | |
| 1 | 21.50 | 19.50 | 17.60 | 16.80 | 16 20 | 16.10 | 16.00 | 16.00 |
| 2 | 22.50 | 20.50 | 18.60 | 17.80 | 17.20 | 17.10 | 17.00 | 17.00 |
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| TABLE B | SCHEDULE CSP2 INTERRUPTIBLE GAS - SCHEDULED REFERENCE PRICE-P/THERM | | | | | | | | |
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| VOLUME BAND | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | | | |
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| SHORT PERIOD | 29.75 | 29 00 | 27.50 | - 26.00 | 24.75 | 23.50 | | | |
| MEDIUM PERIOD | 28.25 | 27.00 | 25 50 | 24 00 | 22.75 | 21.50 | | | |
| LONG PERIOD | 24.25 | 22.50 | 20 50 | 18.50 | 17 25 | 16.00 | | | |

From the meter reading date on or nearest to 1 July 1990

British Gas, Registered Office: Rivermill House, 152 Grosvenor Road, London SWtV 3JL, Registered in England No. 2006000.

British Gas'

Benchmark to close stockbroker

BENCHMARK, the leasing and property lending group, has confirmed it is closing Charlton Seal Schaverien, its stockbroking division, and is in talks to transfer part of the business to two brokers. Wise Speke and Charles Stanley.

The group hoped more than half of Chariton's employees would find jobs at the other brokers. Charlton Seal went £140,000 into the red in the six months to last December. Benchmark will now concentrate on agricultural equipment leasing and residential property lending.

tax profits at British Technol-

Colin Barker, chairman, said

yesterday. Group profits

surged to £9.5 million in the

year to end-March on turn-

ogy Group, a world leader in for the next session of Par-

ket, underlined the group's business opportunities in sev-

"fitness" for privatisation, eral emerging markets could

over of £29.5 million, up 24 ing licensing agreement with a

Administrators called in at Parkfield Group

PARKFIELD Group, the trading divisions. Shares in manufacturing and entertain- Parkfield were suspended at ments group, was yesterday 48p on Wednesday ahead of granted an administration order in order to protect the integrity of its businesses".

Michael Jordan, Adrian Stanway and Malcolm ities have been agreed in London, of Cork Gully, have principle to enable the busibeen appointed joint administrators by the court.

They will work with the to carry on the various businesses of the group's existing changes.

BTG 'fit for state sell-off'

A RISE of 26 per cent in pre- for a privatisation commit- had been undermined by pol-

ment in the Queen's Speech

the intellectual property mar- liament. BTG believes that A planned technology transfer

be put at risk by continuing

executive, said that a promis-

state ownership.

yesterday's application. At their 12-month January peak the shares traded at 518p.

Appropriate banking facil-

nesses to continue operating.

Parkfield said Roger Felber

was still chairman and the board to set up separate board of directors remained subsidiary limited companies the same. It was up to the the same. It was up to the administrators to decide any

itical sensitivities surrounding

government control of BTG.

joint venture in Spain had

foundered recently on similar

Mr Harvey said the situa-

ingly difficult as BTG at-

tempted to expand into

bank, is reorganising its London division by merging its subsidiaries, Associated Japanese Bank and Sanwa Inter-national. The group will carry out securities and bankingoperations and act as a base to expand into the European

Tiphook sale

Tiphook, the transport and distribution group, has sold its Tiphook Siteguard subsidiary, which is involved in renting steel stores and offices, to Darchem Building Services for £2.9 million. Darchem is. owned by a Darlington-based engineering group of the same

per cent. Mr Barker is hoping French research establishment overseas markets. COMPANY BRIEFS

Ian Harvey, group chief tion could become increas-

AB CONSULTANTS Pre-tax: £2.47m (£1.68m) EPS: 20.7p (17.0p) Div: 4.2 mkg 6.4p BRASWAY (Firi) Pre-tax: £2.71m (£3.66m)

EPS: 2.33p (3.27p) Div: 0.54p mkg 0.78p **DRAYTON FAR EAST** Pre-tax: £0.44m (£0.63m) EPS: 0.195p (0.306p) Div: 0.125p (0.125p)

OCEANA INV. CORP. (Fin) Post-tax: £0.62m (£0.47m) EPS: 11.50p (8.86p) Div: 7.5p (5.5p)

ELBIEF (Fin) Pre-tax: £0.18m (£0.51m) EPS: 0.92p (2.70p) Div: 0.465p mkg 0.646p TEMPLETON EMERGING Pre-tax: £0.85m (£0.44m) **FPS: 2.500** Div: 0.70

Pre-tax: £2.81m (£2.1m) EPS: 9.09p (6.89p) Div: 1.35p mkg 2p (1.6p) THROGMORTON USM (Int) Pre-tax: 20.59m (20.53m) EPS: 2.18p (1.9p) Div: none

HEITON HOLDINGS (Fin)

NORBAIN ELECTRONICS Pre-tax: £0.25m (£0.12m)

Final results. Turnover increased by 40 per cent to £12.6m. The company said it is continuing to grow despite a softer construction industry.

Last year's total dividend was 0.763p. Turnover rose 10 per cent to £47m. Interest costs jumped to £866,000 (£484,000). interim results. The net asset value

slipped to 125.9p (143.7p). Gross income increased from £1.06m to The net asset value advanced by 20 per cent to 293.1p (244.8p), largely due to the profit on the sale of the investment in Aquascutum Group.

Last year's total dividend was 1.925p. The company said profits were lower because of a smaller contribution from Christmas trade. Final results. In addition, there is a special dividend of 0.9p, making a total of 1.6p. The net asset value

rose by 29.5 per cent to 127.53p. Figures in trish currency. Turnover grew 20 per cent to £55.2m. There was an exceptional credit of £790,000.

The net asset value slipped to 139.8p (186.9p) a share. Gross income climbed to £782,000 (£757,000).

Final results. Fully-diluted earnings per share rose to 2.3p (0.86p). Turnover slipped to £11m (£11.6m). Extraordinary credit of £110,000.

DEWHURST (Int) Pre-tax: 20.55m (20.40m) EPS: 3.2p (2.27p) Div: 0.60p (0.47p)

SYMONDS ENG (Fin) Pre-tax: £0.56m (£0.20m) EPS: 3.823p (1.273p) Div: 0.8p mkg 1.25p (1p) PARK FOOD (Fin) Pre-tax: £3.03m (3.04m) EPS: 16.46p (16.46p) Div: 4.35p mkg 6.3p

ELANDSRAND GOLD Pre-tax: R37.8m (R32.1m) EPS: 38c (33c) Div: 15c SOUTHVAAL HOLDINGS Pro-tax: R93.5m (R142.9m)

EPS: 181¢ (275¢) Div: 180c **VAAL REEFS** Pre-tax: R141.8m (R146m)

EPS: 167c (318c) WESTERN DEEP LEVELS Pre-tax: R78.6m (R97.4m)

EPS: 77¢ (84¢) SA LAND

Pre-tex: £0.77m

EPS: 2.9p (2.2p loss) Div: 1.0p (0.1p)

Pre-tax: R1.22m (R1.39m) EPS: 9c (12c)

MULTITONE (Fin)

Group turnover advanced by 30 per cent to £4.12m. The company said that record full-year results are

Group turnover was ahead by 20 per cent to 26.04m. There was an extraordinary credit of £54,702.

Last year's total dividend was 6.2p. Turnover edged up to £107.9m (£106.1m). There is an extraordinary credit of £49,000.

Figures are for quarter to end-June. Eps are before appropriation for capital expenditure. Turnover up to R110.7m (R102.9m). Interim results. Total income fell to R95.4m (R144.6m). Tax stood at R46.4m (R71.5m).

Figures are for quarter to end-June. Turnover slipped to R613.6m (R616.8m).

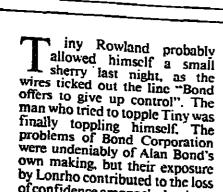
Figures are for quarter to end-June. Turnover slipped to R298.2m (R312.7m).

Figures are for quarter to end-June. Turnover slipped to R12.3m (R12.5m).

Pre-tax loss last time was 2249,000. Company intends to return to interim payments in the current financial year.

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and once bankers get the jitters, the end is in sight. But the Bond saga has some reels to run yet. The meetings which could have ended it all were adjourned yesterday, and by the time they are reconvened next month, the situation could have changed yet again. That said, Mr Bond seems to be making the bondholders an offer they may not find hard to refuse. The bondholders more than any Other creditors hold immediate and undisputed right of life over the corporation, and without see how Bond could be kept from the knacker's yard. The only alternative for Bond would be to

Bond puts his head on the plate

DAVID BREWERTON

COMMENT

hard, and it seems unlikely they will meekly agree to a one-year moratorium on interest payments and a reconstruction plan without a financial gain at the far end. Yes, they welcome the proinsist on their own nominee posed appointment of a new chief executive and sure, they would love to see the power of Dallhold. Mr Bond's master company, restricted in both voting power and the number of nominees it can pack on to the board. And it next few weeks. is beyond question that Bond

needs a corporate restructuring. But the sight of Alan Bond's head on a platter is unlikely to be enough to satisfy the bondholders, and nobody knows this better than Alan Bond. He is their agreement, it is difficult to thought to have a number of additional incentives up his sleeves, including a preference share issue which would eventurefinance the debt, which is about ally give them the loudest shout as likely as snowballs on Bondi in Bond Corp. At the same time,

beach in December. The bond-

holders, led by Swiss Bank

Corporation, are now pushing

the bondholders would be wise to ember and £10.4 billion in September, the other charging

sitting at the boardroom table, months. looking after their interests, while The lower rise in lending is the reconstruction is carried reflected in the broad measure of through. These add-ons to the money, M4, which rose 2 per cent last month and 16.8 per cent on the year, down from 17.1 per cent basic package will be wheeled out as negotiations proceed over the the previous month. The narrow measure, M0, also grew more slowly at 6.5 per cent against 6.9 Slowing down per cent the previous month. Weekly data so far suggest there

below 6 per cent. With M0 still growing outside month in which banks levy their the 1-5 per cent target range the monetary statistics have a long way to go before the government expected, and below the increases of £9.2 billion in can claim victory. Meanwhile, average earnings are accelerating March, £10.7 billion in Decand unit costs rising. But,

may be another fall in July to

coupled with the steep drop in retail sales last month and the continued rise in unemployment, the signs of slowdown are

Minor affair

ritain considers itself a Bree market operator in a European Community where others, such as France, are assumed to give massive aid and protection in the greater cause of building French-based multinationals at whatever cost. Inevitably, it comes as an affront, therefore, for Britain to be singled out, along with free market Holland, as giving unfair aid to industry that distorts European markets.

Section 8 of the Industry Act 1982 certainly gives that in theory, though it has not been used for that purpose by government. Ever since it was enacted, the catch-all clause,

which gives the DTI a wide brief to make selective aid to industry for modernisation and development, has been an embarrassment. The clause is there, and has stayed, because it has been a convenience, allowing ministers to make assistance in a highly selective and therefore less costly way for anything from International Computers to guaranteeing bank loans to small firms. As Sir Leon Brittan is well aware, £9.5 million was also used to a minor extent in the sale of Rover to British Aerospace, which was an affront to Brussels.

The immediate reaction from Whitehall was that Brussels had misunderstood the legislation. This is entirely possible, although Sir Leon, in his former role as trade secretary, was once charged with operating it.

In practice, the section has been used less and less to aid the private sector. Last year, the biggest item was £13.5 million to keep a Cornish tin mine open.

If Sir Leon insists on banning it, the government will be sympathetic to his thinking but could be faced with some rethinking.

FUJITSU'S plan to pay up to 180 billion yen (£671 million) for almost 80 per cent of ICL. Britain's only leading computer maker, is the latest lunge by a Japanese company to secure a foothold in Europe before 1992.

It is likely to rattle ICL's rivals and sow fears that Fujitsu's move is the bud of a growing Japanese presence in the boardrooms of Europe's computer makers.

Fujitsu's competitors in Tokyo are unlikely to let Fujitsu swim too far ahead of them and are also keen to find European partners who can help them to challenge IBM.

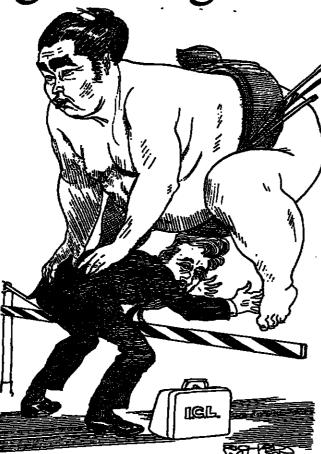
Some European politicians, like Edith Cresson, of France, are unlikely to welcome the move. They feel that Japanese companies have already swamped too many European industries, most obviously car manufacturing.

Embarrassingly for Fujitsu, memories are fresh of an unflattering episode in which Fujitsu was dressed down by the Japanese government after it was found that the company had offered to design a computer system for a local authority for just one yen, less than a penny. The questionable tactic led to charges that Fujitsu was trying to edge rivals out of the market.

The affair was also uncomfortable for the Japanese government, which has been trying to persuade America that unfair Japanese trade practices are a figment of Washington's imagination. It was even more awkward for Takuma Yamamoto, chairman of Fuitsu, who was leading a campaign to rebut American charges that Japan was virtually giving away its computers to American universities, undercutting American rivals, on the pretext of offering huge "academic discounts".

NHK, the state-run broadcasting network that often acts as a reliable, if unofficial, mouthpiece for Japan, reported yesterday that Fujitsu was eyeing an ICL shareholding of nearly 80 per cent, worth Y180 billion. Some Japanese newspapers said Fujitsu would seal a deal by the end of this month in which it would

Fujitsu aims to outsmart its rivals by grabbing ICL



the second Japanese electronics group to vault into the British computer market this

In May, Mitsubishi Electric bought the manufacturing operations of Apricot, the personal computer maker. The Fujitsu deal will be the largest buy 50 to 60 per cent of the su looks like facing an easier thur Walsh, the chairman of

British firm. Fujitsu will be ride on to ICL's shareholders' register than it had in a different bid in 1981, when it faced a political backlash in Washington and eventually failed in its attempt to take over America's Fairchild Semiconductor.

Although ICL is profitable, making a pre-tax profit of buyout of a computer maker £146 million last year on by a Japanese company. Fujit- turnover of £1.61 billion, Ar-

STC, its parent company, has been scouting for a partner for ICL for several months. He wants to share the financial burden of research and development necessary to stay ahead in the computer business. Fujitsu has had close dealings with ICL for almost a decade, supplying the British company with technology and microchips, making it the most likely partner. Mr Walsh has been known to favour a Japanese ally,

Bank and building society lending rose last month by £6.9 billion which for a

quarterly charges on customers

was substantially lower than

Fujitsu will be keen to secure control of one of its main customers, a common and cosy business structure in Japan, although a relationship that fires the anger of some outsiders. Toyota's similar control over Koito, the Japanese car parts maker in which T Boone Pickens has a 26 per cent stake has infuriated the Texan oil tycoon, who is struggling to get into Koito's boardroom. Fujitsu also gets a platform in frontier-free Europe. It is likely to use ICL as a production and sales base for Europe. The buyout will also prevent technology given by Fujitsu to ICL from draining to Fujitsu's rivals. Fujitsu was apparently worried that ICL might fall to one of its Tokyo competitors.

However, Fujitsu may also find that it is given a chilly reception in meetings where ICL has been welcome, since much of the cooperation between European and American computer companies has been driven by a fear of Japanese competition in an industry in which Japanese er nrms are amo world's biggest and healthiest.

Only IBM and Digital are larger than Fujitsu, which notched up sales of Y2,550 billion in 1989. But Fuitsu, which is breaking new ground in several areas, from industrial robots and computers to microchips that imitate the human brain, has set its heart on becoming the leader of the pack. Japanese companies also have a reputation for guarding their markets. Japan is the only country in which IBM competes and has had to take second place to a local company: Fujitsu.

Joe Joseph

TEMPUS

Solid GUS soldiers on

Great Universal Stores (GUS) making up the overall GUS be adventurous.

For the 36th successive year, GUS marched forward the 12 months ended March, with pre-tax profits up from £400.2 million to £417.3 million (or stripped clean of property profits, from £392

million to £406.9 million). The dividend rises again, with a final of 23.5p a share, against 21.5p, making 34.5p (31.5p), although shareholders must think their cheques are coming by fourth-class post. The dividend is payable on December 20.

But with apron strings so closely tied to mail order/home shopping and sensitive to interest rates and unemployment, and a £23.5 million slice knocked off its extensive property portfolio because of weaker values, GUS needs

real trading luck this year. GUS speaks of "an improvement" in the first three months of the present year, but sector analysts believe it will generally be a tough one.

Net asset value was about £11 a share at March 31, compared with £10.64 last time. and the buy-in of non-voting A shares continues. The plan to give A shares the vote "continues to be under review". The individual divisions

would do its City image a are hardly go-go areas, but power of good if it were seen to GUS as a whole retains a ring of investment magic. Its assets, generally boring profits record and staid business areas make GUS by any other name a prime bid target.

A controlling 50 per cent bloc held by the Wolfson Foundation remains, however, the key to any corporate raider's dreams.

Property profits could well make up for any hard going on core trading this year, and profits clean of property might hit the £420 million level. But at 1,073p on a prospective p/e rating of 9.8, GUS is no immediate buy.

P&P

SHARES in P&P, the personal computer distribution and services group, ritually fell 9p to 219p on news of its £27 million rights issue. The reaction may be perverse.

The capital-raising is for Continental expansion, not due to weakness and, since the founders will cut their holdings from 44 to 32 per cent by an agreed placing of rights, should create more interest among institutions.

Unlike most computer services groups, P&P had already made the transition more than

founders to professional management that has delivered sensible growth with no expensive mistakes.

P&P has avoided the collapse of the high street computer boom by buying private companies to grow out of its base in distributing personal computers to dealers (now 22 per cent of profits). It sells pes to big companies, and handles training, maintenance and short-term rental. It is not in leasing and is pioneering deals with big companies wanting to

contract-out services. The half year to end-May shows a further 37 per cent rise in pre-tax profits to £6.8 million, matching the rise in sales, though earnings per share grew a more modest 15 per cent. Full-year profits should reach about £15 million, with earnings per share up about 12 per cent to 22p allowing for the rights issue. At an equivalent ex-rights

price of about 208p, the shares

would sell at 9.5 times earn-

ings with a yield on forecast dividend of 2.6 per cent. That

looks a good buy. Matthew Clark

SCEPTICS had a field day this to 45p. leaving the shares on a time last year when Matthew Clark promised to maintain term strategy becomes clearer,

five years ago from venturing 150 years, of the Martell cognac agency with which it had been so closely linked.

But despite less than buovant trading conditions, Clark proved true to its word, with pre-tax profits of £7.47 million before exceptionals, against £7.8 million. on turnover almost halved to £70.28 million.

But the creditable figures owe much to one-off gains in operating efficiency and there are doubts if the momentum can be maintained.

The Martell loss underlined the uncertainty of agency agreements and exposed Clark's vulnerability to decisions beyond its control. The appointment in May of Peter Aikens, formerly of Courage, as chief executive, was the first step towards addressing this flaw.

What Matthew Clark wants are brands of its own and these will not come cheap. With £4.6 million in the bank there is scope for acquisitions but Mr Aikens's bargaining skills will be tested.

Pre-tax profits should rise to £8.5 million this year, but without exceptional credits from the disposal of investments or property, earnings are expected to fall 14 per cent p/e of 7.66. Until the longprofits despite the loss, after they look fully valued.

THE TIMES



CITY DIARY

Defender of grandmother." his faith

FORMER pugilist and docker George Walker, who now chairs the thriving £140 mil-lion leisure and properly conglomerate Brent Walker, will be doing his bit to repair Britain's relations with mainland Europe tomorrow. Business commitments permitting he will be on board British Defender as it joins 63 other boats in a 1,000-mile race across from Brighton Marina to Puerto Sherry in Southern Spain, both owned and developed by Brent Walker. With a total of 100,000 ecus (£75,000) on offer as prize money. 12 boats in the 45ft class - one from each community country - will compete for the Brent Walker Cup, in what is scheduled to become a biennial event. "It will be the only European race and apart from publicising the Brent Walker name there, we are doing it because I am very pro-Europe. I think there are marvellous opportunities for an expensive advertising cam-British business there, particularly in leisure." says Walker. proudly sporting a pair of teddy bear motif braces.

"They were a present from my

youngest daughter, she calls

me her big teddy bear." he

explains. Walker, who still

works out in a gymnasium

that six weeks ago he became a

grandfather when his eldest

daughter Sarah, married to the

Marquess of Milford Haven,

gave birth to her first child,

Tatiana. "What's worse,"

Walker quips with a laugh, "is that I now have to sleep with a

CLEARL)' recovered from his recent court case in America, Adnan Khashoggi, the Saudi Arabian entrepreneur - who has said that he now wants to concentrate on making money again - has already been busy renewing old acquaintances. A little after lunchtime the other day he was spotted leaving the Cheapshide headquarters of Tiny Rowland's Lonrho, smiling from var to ear

Know thy enemy NEWS that the electricity industry has chosen a monster figure akin to the one created Frankenstein - he was, after all, the creator rather than the monster itself - to launch its privatisation campaign in September has puzzled some City onlookers. But according to power industry sources, the idea for using a "friendly" monster figure, a sort of Ronald McDonald meets Vincent Price, to star in paign, was inspired by the electricity industry's former arch-enemy Sir Denis Rooke. Rooke, until last year chairman of British Gas, has, through no fault of his own. often been likened to the figure in Mary Shelley's novel. But if imitation really is the almost every day, also reveals sincerest form of flattery, Rooke should consider himself honoured indeed. For the electricity industry sees gas as such a threat that one company chairman - at the results the members most, as they briefing for the 12 regional stood outside pondering their

distribution companies yes- plight, was the prospect that use three-letter words,"

Pudding whine

MORE than 700 of the wealth-iest individuals in Britain suffered from indigestion yesterday afternoon, after their luncheon in the Great Room at the Grosvenor House - half way through the day-long national conference and annual meeting of the Associ-ation of Lloyd's Members had been rudely interrupted by an electrical fire in two generators. Just as they finished the main course they were forced to abandon the prospect of pudding and a couple more glasses of wine and instead spent the next hour or so standing on the pavement in Park Lane. Some of the biggest names in British business were there," says a member. "And there was nothing they could do but hang around outside. Some ventured into the hotel lounge for coffee, but when they asked for dessert from the trolley they were informed that it was for restaurant guests only." Eventually the afternoon session, which was to have included a debate about increased international competition with speeches by Roger Harvey, Kleinwort Benson's insurance expert and Elvin Patrick, chairman of Bankside Underwriting Agencies, had to be abandoned. But what is said to have distressed

terday - could not even bring they would probably have to himself to mention it. "I don't pick up the tab for the

he insurance claim as well. Wiley goes NatWest

KEITH Wiley, who now admits that he once spent two years working for the Inland Revenue after he left school — But I lost so many friends I had to give it up." he says has been persuaded to leave James Capel after a 22-year career there. A former partner of the firm and head of fixedincome sales. Wiley, aged 43, will join NatWest Capital Markets at the end of this month. But, because of contractural restrictions, he will be unable to talk to clients until the end of August. The uncertainties surrounding the proposed merger of Capel's narent. Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, with Midland Bank, were, he says, the catalyst behind his decision to make a move. "That was at the back of my mind and it was probably because of that that I was more receptive to the head-hunter's telephone call than I might have been otherwise," he says. "Then. when I saw NatWest's capital markets operation, I was extremely impressed." At Nat West Capital Markets, Wiley will be an executive director of its capital markets division - which handles international bonds, Eurobonds, commercial paper and gilts - and he will also be the head of sterling fixed-interest

Carol Leonard

MOSCOW

BANK LIMITED

Financial Highlights Year ended 31st December 1989

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| CAPITAL RESOURCES | 208,812 | 171,246 |
| TOTAL ASSETS | 2,554,230 | 2,478,496 |
| TOTAL DEPOSITS | 2,259,555 | 2,247,881 |
| LOANS AND ADVANCES | 1,555,577 | 1,314,543 |
| PROFIT AFTER TAXATION AND TRANSFERS TO INNER RESERVES | 290 | 5,635 |

"The guidelines laid down in the Bank's Strategic Plan have brought a change of emphasis away from interest income to fee-based income through the introduction of new business areas. Indeed, I am delighted to report that the fee-based proportion of our total income rose to 37.5% in 1989 from 15.1% in the previous year. Greatly assisted by the increase in our fee income,

net banking profit (before tax, bad debt provisions and transfers to inner reserves) rose during 1989 to £21.5 million from £15.4 million in the previous year."

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STC: SALE OF ICL STAKE EXPECTED

By MICHAEL CLARK, STOCK MARKET CORRESPONDENT

AFTER resisting the force of fered falls of £4 at the longer gravity for much of the day, end as the pound came in for share prices in London gave up ground after another hesitant start to trading on Wall Street where the likelihood of the Dow Jones industrial average breaching the 3,000 level

soon is starting to fade. Prices rallied after an early mark-down, helped by a firm start to trading on the futures market where the FT-SE 100 index September series continued to trade at a healthy premium, indicating that dealers and professional investors believe that the London market still has a little way to run before peaking. The absence of sellers and persistent thin conditions left market-makers with little option but to follow

But an early fall of 22 points in the Dow average turned the tables and soon had share prices in London beating a ragged retreat in after-hours dealings. The FT-SE 100 in-dex ended at its lowest level of the day, 14.7 points down at 2,387.3, while the narrower FT index of 30 shares fell 11.9 to 1,888.7. Business remained low with only 412 million

Government securities suf-

profit-taking after its recent

STC, the electronics and communications group, rose 23p to 281p (briefly touching 295p) after a report that the sale of a majority stake in its ICL computer subsidiary may be near. Fujitsu, Japan's leading computer manufacturer, is in talks with STC and dealers are hoping for an announcement towards the end of this

STC has been a depressed

Brokers are taking a cautious look at Cable and Wireless, down 15p at 535p. They are worried by competition and the effect of a strong pound New Court recently sold 50 million shares belonging to Hutchison Whampon and remains cautions.

market after a profits warning recently. A total of 23 million STC shares were traded. Full-year figures from Zetters, the football pools operator, showed pre-tax profits rising from £772,004 to

ished 2p lower at 140p. Ferranti International, the

£1.1 million. The shares fin-

troubled defence electronics group, fell 21/2p to 301/2p after reporting pre-tax losses of £161.7 million. This was after £122 million of exceptional items and interest charges of £50 million. The exceptional items relate to the alleged fraud at its ISC subsidiary and to restructuring costs. The group confirmed that it was going ahead with its £47 million rights issue.

Oxford Instruments continued to go from strength to strength with a rise of 7p to 327p. The group's new Helios

INDUSTRIAL EDITOR

SIR Kenneth Alexander, a

Scottish academic with indus-

trial experience, has thrown

down a challenge to British

Steel over the planned closure

of the hot strip mill at

It was triggered by George Quinn, a Ravenscraig shop steward, when he handed in a

letter at British Steel's head-

quarters nominating Sir Ken-

neth to the board of British

Ravenscraig, near Glasgow.

system, which generates Xrays for use in microchip technology has just gone on stream, at about £15 million a time. Analysts claim that it could be a big profit-earner for the group.

Gains among the clearing banks were reversed after Standard & Poor's, the rating agency, downgraded its credit rating for Midland Bank, down 3p at 302p. Falls were also seen in Barciays, 7p to 415p, Lloyds, 5p to 307p, and National Westminster, 2p to 335p. The banks' interim reporting season begins soon.

Matthew Clark, the wines and spirits distributor, firmed

Ravenscraig unions seek to put

sympathetic academic on board

2p to 332p after final figures revealed taxable profits £1.1 million ahead at £9.5 million. Shareholders will receive a final dividend of 7.75p, making 13.5p for the year against

Burton Group, the struggling high street fashion retailer, lost a 7p lead to end 6p lower at 103p as analysis gave further consideration to the group's sale of its financial services division to General Electric of America for £182.7 million and its decision to withdraw from property development to concentrate on retailing. Several leading bro-

Reckitt & Colman, which yesterday sold its fine art and graphics business for £60.7 million, fell 16p to £13.09. UBS Phillips & Drew says ptimism about the Boyle-Midway acquisition has been overdone. It says that margins expansion will be less than boped and believes the shares are overvalued.

kers have become sellers of the BAA held steady at 457p. The group has bought the freehold of the Southampton Eastleigh Airport, which it had the development of a new terminal, capable of bandling one million passengers a year. In the past six years, traffic has jumped by 70 per cent to more than 500,000 passengers. Allied-Lyons fell 5p to 499p

after confirming the sale of its Embassy Hotels division to John Jarvis, a former Ladbroke director, for £186 million. His company, Jarvis Hotels, has agreed to pay £126 million in cash and a noninterest bearing loan note of £60 million, which is less than originally agreed.

Rank Organisation slipped ip to 788p after the decision of the United States Department of Justice to attempt to block the group's \$150 million offer for the DeLuxe laboratories, the Hollywood film processor, from CBS-Fox on grounds of competition. Rank and The News Corporation, which owns Fox, intend to challenge the action.

Trade Indemnity, the specialist insurance group, suffered an early mark-down but closed above its worst with a fall of 9p to 131p. The group has denied reports that it will have to pay out claims totalling £20 million stemming been leasing since 1984, from from the collapse of Coloroll,

Jarvis pays £186m in hotels deal with Allied-Lyons

By OUR CITY STAFF

JOHN Jarvis, who left the chairmanship of Ladbroke Group's Hilton Hotels subsidiary to set up his own chain, has bought 41 Embassy hotels from Allied-Lyons, the drinks. food and leisure group, for £186 million.

After the sale, in which Jarvis Hotels will have a total of 3.150 bedrooms at about £51,000 a bedroom, compared with about £60,000 under terms initially discussed in April, Mr Jarvis said: "It represents good value. It gets us back into the industry in a meaningful fashion, although: as a smaller operation we shall be tightly targeted on the conferences and meetings of the largely corporate market.

"We will also be targeting short breaks which are increasingly taken through the week, as well as at weekends, as more and more older people go away more frequently."

Part of the deal with Allied is that a number of Embassy hotels - probably eight - will be sold off because they do not fit the Jarvis concept. A valuation for the hotels is being struck, and any profit



Jarvis: targeting breaks above that level will be split equally between Allied and Jarvis, although there will be a £16 million ceiling on pay-

ments to Ailied. Embassy has a mixed cha of in-town and country locations. The Piccadilly Hotel in Manchester is among the bigger properties.

The new deal with Allied is for £126 million in cash—against £162 million previously - plus a five-year loan note at nil interest.

For the cash deal, Jarvis his £92 million in equity backing from three venture capital providers, Candover, Electra and Kleinwort Benson's Dev-elopment Capital.

WORLD MARKETS

Technology shares hit by earnings forecasts

BLUE chips remained at moderately lower levels at midday,

bruised by a group of disappointing quarterly earnings reports. The Dow Jones industrial average was down by 22 points to 2,959.68.

Technology shares were battered after Apple Computer and Lotus Development each announced weak earnings forecasts. Many others in the sector fell in heavy trading as investors lightened their hightechnology holdings.

◆ Tokyo ~ The Nikkei av-33.055.62. Share prices closed at 1,607.4.

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mixed after buying of the cash index in the last minutes brought the Nikkei up from a 200-point dip.

◆ Frankfurt - Shares ended mostly lower in cautious trading as a lack of follow-on orders eroded early gains. The DAX index closed 8.80 lower at its day's low of 1,957.24.

 Hong Kong - Profit-taking mixed with buying as shares consolidated in heavy dealings. The blue-chip Hang Seng index lost 4.71 to 3,523.58. Sydney — The market fin-

Steel. The issue is due to be dealt with at the company's ished weaker. The All-Ordannual meeting next Friday.

Pressure is being put on pension funds with Scottish erage closed up 7.51 points to inaries index closed 8.1 down (Reuter) affiliations that hold substantial holdings in British WALL STREET Steel to support Sir Kenneth's nomination. It is coming from the standing committee for

steel industry, which repre-sents political, labour, industrial and church opinion. The worry in Scotland is that the closure of the strip mill could be a harbinger of eventual closure of all of Ravenscraig and the end of steel activity in Scotland.

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Sir Kenneth, who maintains he has no political leaning, questions which must be anwill ask them to think again."

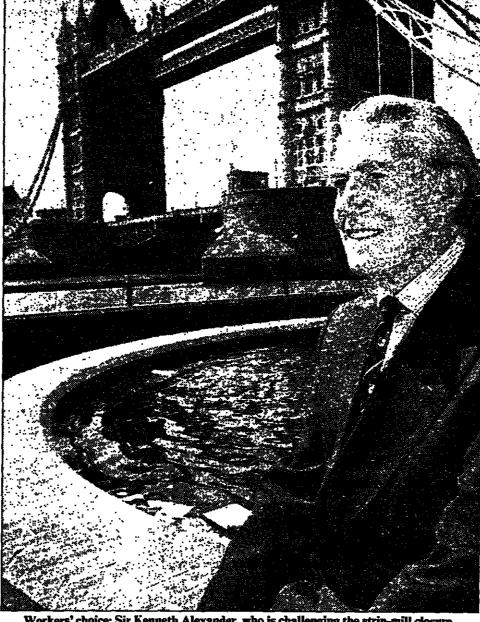
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Workers' choice: Sir Kenneth Alexander, who is challenging the strip-mill closure

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seems to underpin British Steel plans. Sir Kenneth was once principal of Stirling University and has been economics professor at Strathclyde University. He is Chancellor of the University of

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Jobs to go at Thames **Television**

By MELINDA WITTSTOCK

ABOUT 200 production and technical jobs at Thames Television are to be cut soon because of the government's insistence on a 25 per cent quota of independently-made television programmes by the end of 1992.

A Thames spokesman said the independent television contractor has yet to finalise the number of job cuts, which, he said, could exceed 200 unless Thames increased its share of network production. But he insisted the redundancies, which would close the

outside broadcasting unit at Hanworth in south-west London, and trim Thames's team of engineers, electricians and scenic operations staff, represented more of a "shift" than a

He said that Thames had no plans to cut production, so most of those laid off would resurface" as freelances from independent companies. Thames, which reduced its

staff by 300 to 2,000 four years ago, dismissed threats of a strike from some members of the unions, who have rejected its 7 per cent pay offer.

Dewey to hand back cash pile

By NEIL BENNETT BANKING CORRESPONDENT

DEWEY Warren, the former insurance broker, plans to hand back its £38 million cash pile to shareholders in dividends and a capital repayment. worth 70p a share. The payout follows the group's failure to attract a bidder after an eightmonth search.

Dewey will ask the High Court to sanction a special 60p-a-share payment from reserves. Most of the money came from the 4.9 per cent stake in Morgan Grenfell which it sold last year.

The distribution, which will go ahead after August 31 unless a suitable bid is forthcoming, will still leave the company with liquid assets of £25 million in its last operating subsidiary, Sterling Bank & Trust, the second mortgage

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The company announced the payment with results for the half-year to end-June. Pretax profits rose 4 per cent to £3.66 million, most of it from interest on the cash reserve. The company is paying a 4p (nil) interim and a 6p special dividend.

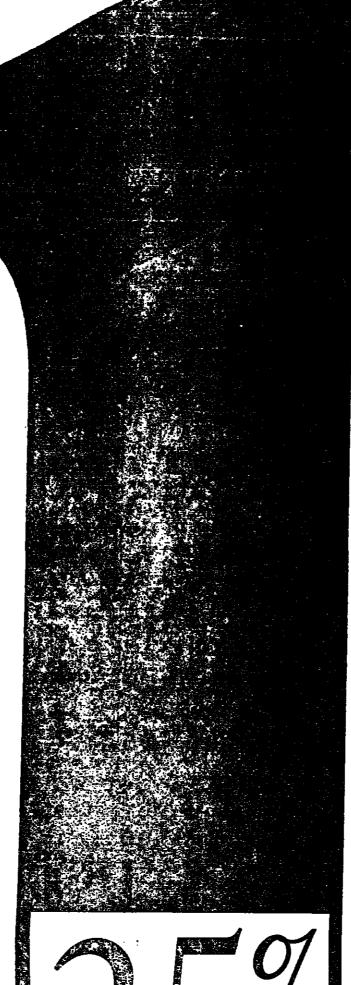
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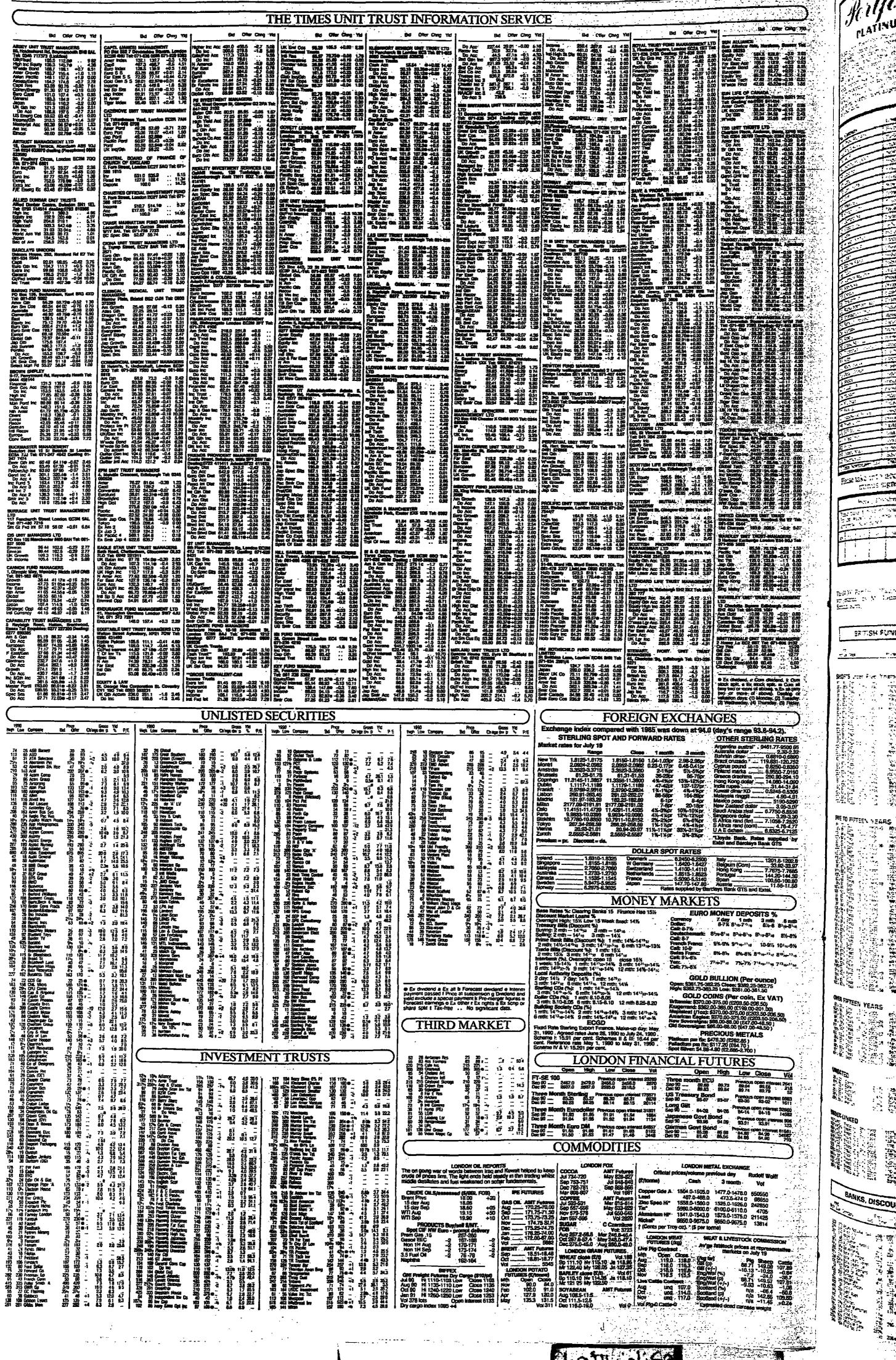
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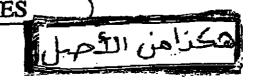
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Madeira aims to attract big business and the wealthy by becoming an offshore financial centre and free trade zone offering tax advantages

Treasure island in the sunshine

adeira is staking adamant that the system, as earners of currency. come Europe's Portugal, is protected from ister, Perry Vidal, warns Manewest and most attractive offshore financial centre and free trade zone. The force behind the initiative comes from the Madeira Development Company (SDM), a private concern operating under an exclusive contract granted by the Madeiran government, which has a 25 per

The SDM, led by Dr Francisco Costa, a persuasive lobbyist, has so far attracted eight companies to the free trade zone and nine to the offshore centre. It has also attracted four ships to a new offshore shipping register and persuaded the island's government to authorise offshore trusts, making Madeira one of the few places outside com-mon law jurisdiction to rec-ognise the trust concept.

As part of Portugal, which is a full member of the European Community, Madeira offers non-Community companies a fiscally advantageous way of reaching the European market, although poor communications to some extent vitiate its claim to be a stepping-stone to Africa, still less the United States, making it less likely to attract EC companies.

Its appeal lies in its uniqueness in offering not only a base on Community territory, but also total exemption from corporation tax, withholding tax and capital gains tax. Among other Community offshore centres, only Gibraltar approaches that combination, levying just 2 per cent corporation tax. In Luxembourg corporation tax is 36 per cent and withholding tax ranges from 5 to 15 per cent. But neither Gibraltar nor Luxembourg offers free trade zone facilities, and Dublin lacks an international shipping register.

Another convenience is that trade zone are exempt from

supervised by the Bank of regional government, the central bank, the treasury secretary and finally the finance: minister may exercise a veto.

In the light of dark hints in some Portuguese newspapers that the offshore centre could become a conduit for illicit cash laundering, Dr Costa is at pains to emphasise that it is very important to avoid any incidents that could give the offshore centre a bad image".

problems. Until Portuguese

Property sharks and cut-throat developers will not be welcomed, but there is money to be made

rance companies and fund management institutions to operate offshore is formally ratified, the development of the offshore centre will remain

Lloyds Bank Fund Management of the Channel Islands is the only non-Portuguese bank so far to have obtained a licence, and it is still waiting for ratification.

In the long run, Madeira's main attraction will probably be to the foreign institutions offering sophisticated products that the Portuguese banks are not yet able to match.

Madeira needs to diversify out of bananas, tourism, wine companies registered in Ma- and its traditional homespun deira's offshore centre or free cottage handicraft and embroidery industries. Tourism the Portuguese requirement to is competitive, but the other present annual audited ac- mainstays are shrinking, both counts. Dr Costa, however, is as employers of labour and

The island's economy minexploitation by layers of of- deirans against expecting too ficial surveillance. Before a much job creation from offlicence is granted to an institu- shore financial development. tion setting up in the offshore, although the free trade zone centre, the SDM, Madeira's and the deep-water port planned to complement it could, he believes, bring employment.

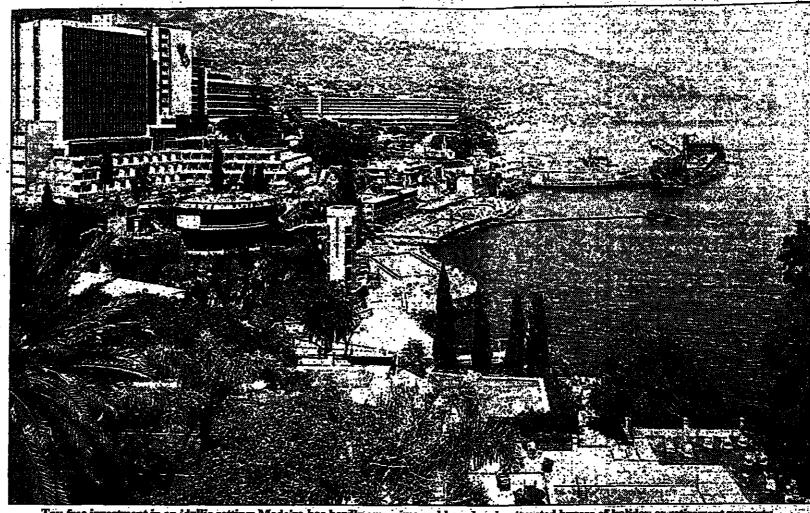
The authorities certainly expect to see Madeira's economy restructured to some extent by the free trade zone and offshore venture. Senhor Vidal gives the comparison of Jersey, where in 1965 tourism contributed 40 per cent and services a bare 10 per cent to the economy. Now, he says, services account for more than 40 per cent and tourism 35 per cent. He believes Madeira can emulate that trend and may even surpass it because, unlike Jersey, it has the free trade zone in its armoury.

One sector that could benefit from offshore and free trade zone activities is property. Of the two, the offshore centre will probably have the greater impact, in the view of John Cully, a project director with ITI, a development company that has a cross-holding with the SDM.

Mr Cully believes the existence of the offshore centre is already "an important factor in the decisions of buyers of holiday or retirement property, enhancing the security of the investment

He says that Madeira, with its civilised, genteel traditions, is not likely to host cut-throat developers or property sharks. Nevertheless, there is money to be made, particularly as there has not yet been a property boom on Madeira as in other tourist centres.

Madeira has hardly any crime and few ideological or nationalistic obsessions to speak of - if one discounts the fierce denunciations of "the continental bureaucracy" of mainland Portugal. But it still has to convince a lot of people that this offshore island, 600 miles out in the Atlantic, is the best place to be offshore.



Tax-free investment in an idyllic setting: Madeira has hardly any crime and has already attracted buyers of holiday or retirement property

Banks cash in on the tax advantages

centre, Madeira apmany emigrants who have made good in Brazil, South Africa or Venezuela. South Africa's politics and the perils of South American hyperinflation mean that migrant funds are seeking a taxefficient home from home.

Portuguese companies seeking loans from banks abroad are the other main plank of offshore business. Most banks that have received or applied for an offshore licence are Portuguese. Dr Francisco Costa, chairman of the Madeira Development Company (SDM), expects more foreign banks when the offshore centre has proved itself. He cites the example of Gibraliar, where nearly all comers were British in its early days as an offshore centre.

Portuguese delay in ratify-

s an offshore financial ing legislation permitting in-centre, Madeira ap- surance and fund managepeals particularly to its ment institutions to operate offshore explains why Lloyds Bank Fund Management is still not in business, although it was licensed more than a

William Knight, the managing director, says: "We know Portugal very well and feel comfortable there, and, unlike the Channel Islands, Madeira is within the European Community." He explains that only in a European Com-

and it has "good opportunities munity-based offshore centre are Undertakings for Collec-tive Investments in Transferable Securities (Ucits) legally valid. Ucits, which could become popular with the public as Community integration proceeds, are instruments for forming crossborder investment companies, and the fiscal neutrality of Community offshore centres such as Madeira lends itself admirably to this activity.

Portuguese law allows Ucits only to be managed in Madeira, but new legislation in the pipeline will permit their incorporation there.

The Portuguese banks are certainly there in force. David Caldeira, who directs offshore operations for Portugal's leading bank, Caixa Geral de ness is active in the syndicated

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deira's low operating costs. Its rents and wages are much

lower than in Luxembourg,

on the tax side". He says: "We pay no income tax or profit tax on our offshore operations here, and since profit tax in Portugal is 36.5 per cent standard rate, our net profits jump by more than a third. Similarly, a bank depositor pays no income tax on his interest - 20 per cent on deposit accounts - so that an offshore deposit yields 20 per cent more than its onshore equivalent."

also costs less, because off-shore operations enable the bank to obtain finer terms and charge lower rates. In addition, minimum reserve requirements stand at 17 per cent onshore, so Portuguese hanks can do more business offshore where no reserve limits apply. Senhor Caldeira says busi-

market, they can borrow, for example, Deutschmarks at 8 per cent or American dollars at 8.75 per cent directly from

Madeira offshore.

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Portuguese companies rais-

Madeira's offshore facilities,

Senhor Caldeira says. Instead

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Funding loans to borrowers facilities would exist onshore as a lending Portuguese bank could instruct its Frankfurt or New York office to buy the required currency on the local money market, but this would add to the cost of the loan to the client, noticeably on largevolume deals.

However, one problem is finding qualified staff, Senhor Community funds Caldeira says, because there is have to be attracted.

loan sector, where Caixa Geral a big demand for trained is collaborating with large banking personnel in inzin-European and Japanese land Portugal, where the sec-Caixa also recently bought

tor is expanding. Another problem is lack of promotion. Senhor Caldeira says: "We World Bank-issued bonds offshore, on which it will receive need to be known. Syndicated tax-free interest, thus raising the real yield. This deal business in particular de-mands trust. They need to would have been impossible for us onshore," says Senhor know who we are before we are invited to participate in an Caldeira, "since the World important syndication." Bank demands very fine terms

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More promotion, he says, would help to attract foreign we can meet only under deposits, not only from expat-riate individuals, but also from the US dollar earnings of ing short-term loans in foreign currency also benefit from big Brazilian corporates, which now go mainly to the United States and Luxembourg. Similar strictures on the

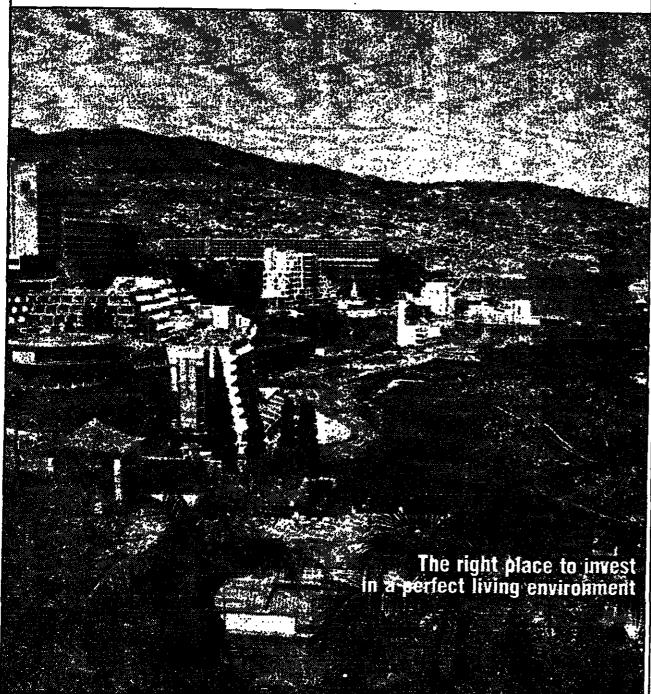
need for more promotioncome from the International Bank of Funchal, a Madeiran savings bank that has gone offshore as a way of building The same external loan an international profile Senhor Caldeira is optimis-

tic that in the long term the offshore venture will succeed. He has only one serious doubt: if the European Community after 1992 liberalises tax systems Community wide it could diminish the generous fiscal advantages. If this came about, non-

Community funds would

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Trading post with a prime position

free trade zone is at the east end of the island near Canical, five miles from the airport and 20 miles from the capital, Funchal. When complete, it will consist of 140 hectares, fenced in as required by European Community regulations.

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The three-phase development still has a long way to go. Only the first part of the initial phase is complete. A mere 22 hectares out of 38 are ready for occupation, although almost all are reserved, according to Pedro Amaral.

the project's chief engineer. Senhor Amaral says that apart from the Portuguese, Brazilian and Lebanese companies listed, a Chinese company has signed up to manufacture textiles, and a small Irish jewellery company has filled the gap left by a South African food company that recently withdrew.

The zone's immediate priority is the building of a port terminal. Without port facil-

Work is continuing on facilities for a free trade zone, and more companies are being attracted to the development

ities, companies would have to import their raw materials and hard-headed calculation and export their finished attracted Edgar Aguiar, man-products through the con-aging director of Amaplast, a tainer port at Funchal, and the Brazilian plastics company, to road from Canical to the the zone, Senhor Aguiar was capital, although picturesque, born in Madeira but emiis inadequate for commercial grated to Brazil in 1975.

to start, to enable it to receive the wide Community market bigger aircraft and handle more passengers and freight. Completion is scheduled for 1996, but for bulk cargo a deep-sea port is an urgent nec-

Meanwhile, work is continuing on the infrastructure of access roads, electricity, water supply and telecommunicaA combination of sentiment

Convenient access to the Work is due to start on the European Community marport in September, and com- ket, as well as the zone's tax pletion is expected next year, and trading incentives, at-That is when expansion of tracted him. "We need mar-Madeira's airport is also due kets," he says, "and we hope will justify our decision."

But Europe is not the only target. Senhor Aguiar explains: "Madeira is in a good position to reach African markets, especially Portuguesespeaking countries such as Angola and Mozambique,

from Madeira as from Brazil? "Yes, but freight rates are 20 per cent less from the zone."

Senhor Aguiar, like many Madeirans, takes a robust view of the Lisbon government and its treatment of Madeira, which he describes as colonial. He is bitter that Lisbon imposed a new VAT code in 1988, after he had started to implement his expansion at the zone. This imposed a 17 per cent rate on his industrial equipment imported from Brazil, when he had expected it to be zerorated, "Seventeen per cent is a lot of money on a \$2 million investment," he complains. "The central government must change its approach to Madeira if it wants the zone to

Senhor Aguiar's other, home-grown, problem is the lack of a trained work-force in Madeira. "Training the local work-force is the investor's biggest worry," he says. "We Guinea Bissau and the Cape shall have to use personnel Verde Islands." But is not southern Africa just as far staff."



Gateway to the free trade area. Port facilities, vital to the project's success, should be completed next year

He adds that, once trained, the Madeiran work-force is highly motivated and reliable. and the authorities offer grants of up to 50 per cent of

the cost of training.
This view is shared by Michael Heavey, an Irishman, who in May started the Gold Bullion and Gern Company, which will occupy 285 square metres and employ 20 workers at the zone. "A big pool of

intelligent young people is tax-free — so long as they available." Mr Heavey says export it, with themselves. He hopes to build up an \$8 million turnover within the lack of port facilities does not first year. His business, he worry Mr Heavey. "You could says, is to smelt gold and cast take half my stock away in it in any form or carat the your briefcase." he says. customers choose.

hotels to his workplace in the zone, where they will be able to buy custom-made jewellery

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ustomers choose. Mr Heavey hopes to benefit
He intends to provide transfrom Madeira's year-round. port to take tourists from their upmarket tourism. The lack of beaches attracts an older,

Development Company is therefore hoping to attract makers of electronic components, electrical parts and other small finished products. The company says the nimble fingers of the island's women embroiderers could adapt to A small-scale manufacturing

The register gets shipshape

UNDER THE legislation establishing the free trade zone, Madeira was given the go-ahead to establish an international shipping register. The register started on January I and now provides Portugal with a second register. Lisbon has had one for several years.

So far, four vessels, all Portuguese, have registered, according to the Madeira Development Company (SDM). The Madeira Open Shipping Register (Mar) has pledged to honour all international conventions signed by Portugal. Passenger ships as well as deep-sea vessels are permitted to

All companies registered with Mar are entitled to the tax and other incentives available to companies involved in Madeira's offshore financial centre, provided they are also licensed to operate under the free trade zone legistation. Shipping companies owning vessels operating outside Portuguese territorial waters are therefore not liable to income tax on their profits or on the salaries of their officers and ratings, nor

should help Portugal

need they pay capital gains tax on the sale or transfer of a ship or of shares in a shipping company.

Dr Francisco Costa, the SDM chairman, agrees that a main aim of the new shipping register is to staunch the flow of vessels that have recently been leaving the Portuguese flag. All ships joining Mar will duly fly the flag.

Dr Costa is confident that Madeira's location astride the main Atlantic shipping routes and the south-western approaches to Europe will ensure the success of the new register. He points out that Portline, Portugal's main general cargo operator, has joined. Portline remains on the Lisbon register but has transferred one ship to Funchal. Dr Costa says: "The main groups I need to satisfy are the government, the shipowners and the unions." He says an agreement is being finalised with the International Seamen's Union that will

A new shipping plan confirm the Madeiran register as a respected, soundly based institu-tion. "We are not," he says, "aiming at a mere flag of convenience register."

> Dr Costa sees no reason why Mar should not have half a million tonnes of shipping registered by the end of the year, provided two crucial conditions are met. The first concerns manning. By law, 50 per cent of the crew and the masters of all Mar-registered vessels have to be Portuguese nationals. This law must be speedily amended if the shipping register is to have any future with non-Portuguese shipowners.

> The second change that must take place, according to Dr Costa, concerns mortgages. Under present Portuguese law, creditors come last in the queue, behind workers and the state, in recovering funds in cases of bankruptcy or non-fulfilment of obligations.

> Dr Costa says Portugal must fall into line with international norms giving greater priority to creditors' interests if Madeira's shipping register is to be a success.



Tradition: the grape harvest

Old wine, modern flavour

THE ORIGINS of Madeira wine lie in the 15th century when, tradition has it. Prince Henry the Navigator introduced the malvasia candida wine from Crete in an attempt to wrest the lucrative sweet wine trade from the Genoese and Venetians.

This was after the Portuguese discovery of Madeira in 1419. Later, after Charles II's marriage to the Portuguese Catherine of Braganza, Madeira escaped England's general protectionist ban on the export of continental produce to its colonies. By the 18th century, when Madeira was first fortified with brandy, it was de rigueur in the American colonies. George Washington, Thomas Jefferson and Benjamin Franklin bestowed the supreme accolade by choosing it for their toast to the Declaration of Independence.

When the phylloxers insect hit Madeira in the last century, resistant American vines were imported and the industry was saved, although the Suez Canal opening, which meant fewer ships called, was another blow.

Campaign to double Madeira production

In 1913 the wine companies formed the Madeira Wine Association, which has grown into the Madeira Wine Company. There are four Madeiras, every one named after the grape from which it is produced. The driest is Sercial, a Riesling-type best served chilled as an aperitif. Verdelho is medium dry, to accompany the soup course. Bual is medium

sweet, an acceptable dessert wine.

The sweetest is Malmsey.

Dr Constantino Palma, president of the Madeira Wine Institute, says sales of sweet and dry are roughly equal. However, as more people are drinking Madeira as an aperiuf. Sercial and Verdelho sales are creeping up. Dr. Palma aims to improve the image by selling less in bulk and more in bottle. "Ten years ago," he says, "about 85 per cent was sold in bulk. Today the

proportion is more like 50-50. About 9.5 million litres of wine

are produced every year, of which only 4.5 million - a \$2 billion market - are acceptable for sale as Madeira. Roughly 3.6 million litres are exported, most to the European Community and the remainder to European Free Trade Association countries, North America and Japan.

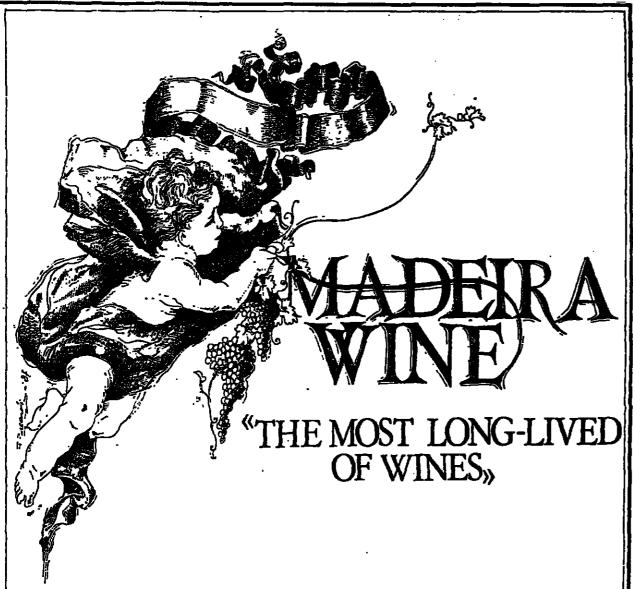
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facilities to operate effectively in the zone. The Madeira

The institute wants to convert its five million litres of low-quality wine into good Madeira, to double production during the next decade and increase sales of the more profitable, upmarket reserve wines of more than five years' vintage. The Community is helping to finance this project.

Dr Palma accepts that the industry's structure is fragmented, the companies are small and lack resources for investment, and the limited scale of production denies them the economies of scale that would otherwise enable effective spending on the advertising and promotion that has done so well for port and sherry. A "transformation of the mentality of the wine-grower" as well as money is



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BRIEFINGS

ONE in three new businesses are the creation of women but only 5 per cent of them hope to profit from them by earning more, according to a survey commis-sioned by National Westminster

The survey found that the main reason women wanted to run their own business was independence. Moreover, two-thirds of those hoping to start a business were ready to drop full-time jobs to do so. Only 6 per cent were un-employed. Half of those in the survey were married and 40 per cent had children.

The survey also showed that the main concerns were money (mentioned by 29 per cent) and fear of failure (17 per cent). About 40 per cent believed their partners would be prepared to use shared savings to finance the new business.

David Powell, head of

NatWest's small business services, believes that while women may be apprehensive, especially about the financial implications of setting up in their own business, they clearly have the motivation, perseverance and ambition needed to succeed.

Michael Denny, new chairman of the British Venture Capital Association, had a special interest in small businesses when he was head of the association's seed capital committee. He now in-tends to make this one of his key preoccupations during his year in the top spot. He will stress the need to make

more funds available for smaller companies, for seed capital and for firms based in the less favoured parts of Britain. A list of venture capital providers willing to invest under £250,000 in the London area and £125,000 in the regions will be drawn up.

Not a second fiddle to farming

ADAM Paul is probably the only violin maker in the world who also holds a diploma in fruit farming. He comes from a Suffolk fruit farming family and it is likely that, but for the European Community and the decline in the business after Britain joined, he would have made his living from the family business with violin-making as a hobby.

He had been to both types of college, learning about agriculture and violin-making, going as a teenager to Europe to learn a language and being the first Briton to take a diploma course at the international school for violinmaking in Cremona near Milan.

Previously he studied music at the old-College of Arts and Technology in Cambridge. He had loved music from boyhood and when he went to Cambridge could play the violin and piano and was instantly attracted to a violinmaking class at the college. His interest increased after the director of music told him that his future lay in making the instruments, not playing the music.

He obtained his diploma after four years and returned to Suffolk to the family home at Parham Hall, near Wickham Market, where he converted an old dairy into a studio to make and repair violins. In the 18 years since, he has added violas and cellos.

When he was 24 his father reminded him of the family fruit business, so he went to agricultural college at Hadlow, Kent, for two years as a mature student. working as a violin-maker and repairer in his spare time. When he returned with a national certificate in agriculture and advanced



Fruits of his labours: Adam Paul in his Suffolk workshop

national certificate in horticulture (fruit), the bottom fell out of the fruit market. His father suggested returning to his real love.

He aiready had most of the hand tools he needed, even mak-ing bow saws himself. Over the years he has added an electric bandsaw and a drill press. He needed little extra capital for other. items, glue, bow hair, woods. These now cost about £3,000 a

year. "I had one or two lucky breaks when I started, an article in the violin trade magazine, one or two exhibitions and then became known by word of mouth. You need a break in something like this for when I started there were few violin makers. But there has been an explosion since then," he said. As soon as he started, his accountant told him he must set

up on a proper footing. Book

keeping and records being as vital as his manufacturing skills. From the start, Mr Paul, aged

46, used home-made management aids. He devised a multi-purpose form on which he keeps everything to do with the making or repairing of an instrument on one. side and on the other a time sheet with hours worked and cost of materials. From this he knows exactly what he has done and the cost as a financial control

At the same time he makes out another sheet on which each instrument is detailed and nornbered, with cost and repairs and thus its progress can be followed from when it is built and each time it returns for repairs. But he could not live well on

what he makes. The only way his sort of craftsman makes a comfortable living is by working long hours. "It makes a profit, but unless you want to work tremendously long hours you will have to find another job like teaching. I also lecture in horticulture, have 50 acres on which I have sheep and also show people round my

It takes a month for him to make a violin — he is a one-man business and intends to stay that way - and the instrument will cost upwards of £1,000. A viola also takes a month to build but costs about £1,800 upwards while a cello will take two months to construct and cost £2,500-plus.

He uses ten-year-old seasoned maple, spruce, rosewood and ebony for the different parts of the violin and gut or steel-wound strings. He has built up a list of hundreds of regular clients who return time and again with commissions coming from all over the

Gatekeepers aim to link inventors and industrialists

By DEREK HARRIS

BY THE summer's end, 14 enterprise agencies in key regional centres should be in top gear, offering a broking service to link innovators with bigger companies willing to help to develop their

Business in the Community (BiC) has established the chain of "gatekeeper" agencies, which are being grafted on to established local enterprise agencies. British Petroleum is pump-priming the scheme, which will be known as the BP Innovation LINC, a specialised version of the well-established LINC business introduction service.

This, through a network of enterprise agencies, acts as a series of marriage bureaux, bringing together investors and small busi-



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nesses that are in need of a cash injection.

The Business in the Community initiative is being spearheaded by the Prince of Wales, who is president of BiC and whose Prince of Wales Award for Innovation is

in its tenth year. Helping innovators is well-established in the United States Japan and Australia, but has been slow to develop in Britain. Thereare notable exceptions - such as CKN and British Aerospace - but the majority of bigger companies here tend to develop their own innovatory ideas, rather than investigate what might be available outside.

The "gatekeepers" must sort the wheat from the chaff on the crankish fringe of the inventions business. This should encourage big companies to examine outside ideas since, it is hoped, they will be presented only with what seem commercially sound schemes. Assessment panels are likely to be set up at gatekeeper agencies.

A study of attitudes among A study of attitudes among bigger companies towards helping innovators is being prepared by Bain & Co and BiC hopes to publish it by the autumnt. It is expected to emphasise the clash between small companies who are reluctant to sell out and the common route of acquisition that big companies tend to take. Minonity stakes may be one answer.

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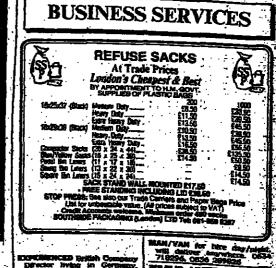
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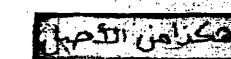
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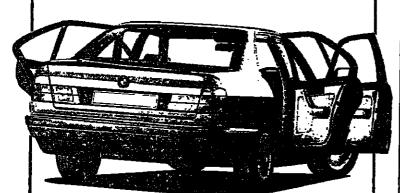
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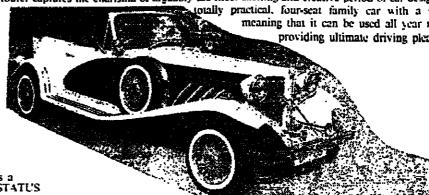
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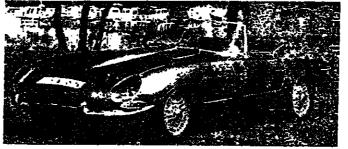


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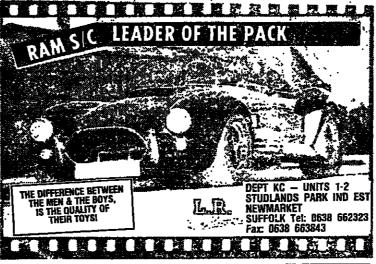
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Turning heads with a sleek supercar is a dream for most. New supercars are measured in six figures. Even classics, which once could be bought for a snip, grow ever more expensive. Fully restored E-Type Jaguars in a recent auction were offered at £50,000.

The answer for collectors who cannot afford what they want is replica cars. For those desperate for an E-Type help is at hand. The Challenger, a stunning E-Type replica which stole the show at last year's kit-car extravaganza at the Sandown Exhibition Centre. is one of a growing breed of famouscar lookalikes. It costs a fraction of the price, and, although its body is glass fibre, it has a 4.2-litre Jaguar engine and the same acceleration as the 1961 original of 0-60mph in

about 5.1 seconds.

The demand for these replicas is world-wide. Triple C turns out six of them a month at its factory in Corby, Northamptonshire, compared with just 20 a year when it started production in 1985.

The order books are full, but

home demand has slowed because of rising interest rates, says Derek Robinson, one of the directors. "We have noticed a downturn this year, but orders are still coming in as fast as we can make the cars. We export mainly to America, Holland and Canada, but we are working on Japan, where some interest has been shown.

"New legislation has approved the car in Holland, we are hopeful in West Germany and new British laws could standardise regulations for us in Europe."

Challenger costs about £14,000 if you build it yourself from a kit and includes an XJ6 engine. The basic GRP body and chassis components cost £8,000, plus the XJ6 running gear. If the car is built by an agent, the XJ67 version will cost about £21,000.

Kit cars, also called component cars, are being made by more than a hundred British companies. Few famous cars have had as

much admiration as the stunning 427 Cobra. Companies now make component kits closely resembling the original, such as DJ



Who can tell the difference? The Dax 40 is a sleek replica of the 1966 Le Mans-winning GT40

Sportscars, of Harlow, Essex. John Tojeiro, designer of the famous AC Ace, was so impressed by DJ's product quality that he became technical director and gave his name to the company flagship, the Dax Tojeiro. With Jaguar running gear, including a 5.8-litre V12 engine, the Dax will take you from 0 to 60 mph in four seconds and has a claimed top speed of 170 mph. A top-specification, self-build model will cost about £12,000. If it is assembled by a

professional, the cost will be about £22,000, and even 12 mpg will be difficult to achieve.

More than half the 800 models sold since production started in 1982 are in Britain. Dutch buyers take another 25 per cent. However, the decline in the British economy has also hit DJ, cutting the waiting list from five months to three in the UK. Like other manufacturers, DJ is seeking its next market in Japan, where it has

Another DJ stunner is the Dax 40, a replica of the 1966 Le Manswinning GT40. Mr Tojeiro helped to design the car, described as "a complex vehicle", but within the capabilities of the "competent

enthusiast". It takes Rover V8 or

Renault engines. The basic body kit costs just under £8,000 but, with refinements, including leather interior trim, it will be £20,000 to put together at home. If the car is built by a professional, the bill could be £35,000, including the extra £695 for air-conditioning.

Only six of the championshipwinning Ferrari P4s were built to race in the 1960s. Now you can own a kit-built replica - the Noble P4. About 120 have been produced since the first model two years ago and production at Leicestershire-based Noble Mot-

orsports is now 40-50 a year. "Production has dropped slightly because of the economic climate," says Lee Noble, one of the directors. "Most of our exports go to Europe, but Japan is now our single biggest export country."

The company, which also builds the championship-winning. tima racing car, says Ferrari's original P4 was one of the world's most beautiful cars. Its 150 mphplus replica is likely to cost up to £20,000 if you build it yourself. If you have it built by an agent, and include the popular 5.7-litre Chevrolet V8 and air-conditioning, the bill is about £35,000.

The basic kit costs £9,400 and takes many standard items, such as a British Leyland Princess steering column, a Renault 30 gearbox and Ford brake and suspension units. The Chevrolet consumption of around 15 mpg, but with a Bound 15 mpg, but with a Renault V67 engine, about 40 mpg can be expected.

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New laws on driving tests come into force on October 1 to end the possibility of fraud. Some learners were apparently sending along an experienced partner to take the test for them. Identity will now have to be shown at the test. In addition, learners cannot now be supervised by a driver aged under 21 and with less than three years, driving

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Mercedes aims to stretch its appeal to the top tier of businessmen and VIPs by producing its first six-door, eight seater, factory-built limousine for five years. The new long-wheelbase car is 31.5in (800mm) longer than the present Mercedes. 200-300 ranges and comes in two versions: the 260E 2.6 petrol at £44,500 and the 250D 2.5 dieset



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Not so fast, please

SPEEDING should be as socially unacceptable as drinking and driving, according to experts growing increasingly concerned about manufacturers' insistence on advertising just how fast their cars will go. The Parliamentary Adv-isory Council for Transport Safety (Pacts) is worried that speeding causes one in ten accidents. Speed is also a factor in 500,000 offences a year and is the most common motoring crime.

Dr Andrew Clayton, executive director of the British Institute for Traffic Education Research, believes manufacturers must help to change attitudes by ending the emphasis on vehicle power and performance. He says: "We must stop thinking of the success of a journey in terms of the time taken to do it. We must also stop giving sympathy to those convicted of speeding offences. Such offences must be treated as serious violations.

Social pressures can change attitudes towards smoking and drinking and driving. With an effort, we can achieve the same with speed."

Saab, the Swedish manufacturer, considered one of the more safety-conscious companies, has just been reproved by the Advertising Standards Authority for its advertising. Saab, whose advertisements often feature the fighter aircraft it also manufac-tures, published an advertisement showing a car with all four wheels off the ground. A caption said: "It doesn't take a test pilot's salary to take these cars flying." The authority said Saab was showing a "potentially dangerous driving practice", and "should avoid over-emphasis upon speed in future advertising". The authority added: "We do not object to Saab using their involvement in the aircraft industry as a sales plat-form for their cars." However, it

excuse for references to speed". Roy Clements, Saab's general manager of marketing, says: "We sell sporty cars. The authority rapped us on the knuckles and as good citizens we will not do it again. We do not incite people to drive over the speed limit or dangerously."

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Although the West German company is used to making highquality saloons, it has not ventured into the market with a big V8 model aimed specifically at company chairmen or directors, the only people likely to be able to afford a £40,000 car.

Richard Ide, Audi's UK managing director, says surprisingly that it is 60 years since the company was represented in the top class. "We fully realise that Audi is moving into one of the most demanding sectors of the market," he says. "We feel we have a car that not only matches the competition on luxury and equipment



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sport is golf, will have his competition," John Trower, mind far removed from the Backley's coach, said yeshis javelin one third of the distance he can drive from the metres, but he felt the javelin ee, he should have the time of touch his head and just move

There are those at St An-Backley's 300-yard drives. Tonight those powerful shoulders will be employed in the Parcelforce Games at Crystal Palace, where a 100-yard javelin throw would be a record by nearly two metres.

The reason to suppose that here is as likely a place as any for Backley to throw a world record for the second time this season is the presence of Jan Zelezny. When they met in Oslo last Saturday, Zelezny became the third man this ear to break the world record: his 89.66 metres surpassed by eight centimetres the mark that Backley had thrown in Stockholm 12 days before.

Magnanimously, Backley declined to minimise Zelezny's achievement by considered an advantage. It is acceptable for grand prix competition, such as tonight's, but will not be for the European championship next month.

Backley save to the interest of the intere

Backley says he could use fastest time in the world this the Nemeth if he wished, but year, 13min 05.59sec, in Boprefers the Sanvik. "I think we logna on Wednesday. It was

STEVE Backley, whose other are in for a hundinger of a an extraordinary performance sport is not will have his competition." John Trower, four days after his hard 10,000 Oslo. Antibo is now the fifth terday. "In his second throw in Oslo, Steve did 87.94 fastest of all time, just before Ondieki who has yet to show The Moroccan troops may away from him. The priority is

have lost their captain, but they are pushing farther into winning but the world record is under threat." Wisely, Trower adds: "It could come foreign territory. Khalid Skah, Issangar and Boutayeb, who Zelezny. a Czechoslovak, who is shorter and lighter, has, has found the best form of his life at 33, have all made in Backley's words, "one of the fastest arms I have ever significant advances on last year, lending support to Brahim Boutayeb, the Olym-pic 10,000 metres champion, in the absence of the injured seen". The drawback according to Trower is the contrast in atmosphere with Stockholm

> Linford Christie needs a victory in the 100 metres as much as Julius Karinki needs the money from the steeplechase tonight. Christie has suffered five successive defeats but is more concerned with being right for the Zurich grand prix and European "I have never got it wrong

yet in the big ones," he says. Kariuki, the Olympic champion, had \$38,000 (about £22,300) confiscated at Barcelona airport on Wednesday for breaching currency regulations. Britain's Mark Rowland, third behind Kariuki in Seoul, could stand in the way

Threat to Davies's record

track events begin, the meeting begins (David Powell writes). But not tonight, one hopes, And not because of the lavelin. If you want to see the oldest British record in the book challenged, get to Crystal Palace early. Lynn Davies's life has passed through many phases — interational athlete, British Olymournalist — in the last 22 years, But a constant factor has been his British long jump record, set in Berne in 1968. "I am surprised the record has stood so

months younger than Davies's record in Belfast on Monday. his 8.15 metres moved him to within eight centimetres of the Davies mark. "I had an illegal jump measured at 8.30 metres the board," he said. "The British record could happen any time and it could be Friday."
Faulkner wants the record for

time I go out there and fail I feel I am letting the British people down", two is that "there has long." Davies says. Surprised. he adds. because of the greater competitive opportunities these

within striking distance of Robhas jumped 8.30 metres. This is European championship year and Emmiyan will be defending "I feel there is a lot more to

come because I have not been running fast," Faulkner, a Birchfield Harrier living in Leyton, said. He wants the crowd there early to pump him up.

"I hope they come out and support me because Crystal Palace would be a nice place to



One jump ahead: Stewart Faulkner, who is closing on the oldest British record

RUGBY UNION

England victory has high price

From a Special Correspondent in Christchurch

All Blacks out to

mend the flaws

THE first Bledisloe Cup inter- Poidevin's Australian record. and Australia at Lancaster Park omorrow will indicate whether the All Blacks have repaired the flaws highlighted by Scotland last month. Australia arrive full of confidence after winning their series against France and are fortified by the knowledge that they have come closest to New Zealand during their unbeaten run of 21 matches, when drawing 19-19 at Ballymore in 1988. It is not only the All Black

players who are under pressure. after their late 21-18 victory have also come under fire after surprisingly dropping Wayne Shelford, the captain and No. 8. Replacing him as captain is Gary Whetton, the Auckland skipper, while the dynamic Zinzan Brooke plays at No. 8.

The Australians have made five changes to the team which thrashed the American Eagles 67-9. Flett, the wing, Herbert, in the centre, and Scott-Young, on the flank, are dropped, while three-match international seby ITV. because of injury. David Campese, who wins his

52nd cap to break Simon

Tuvnman is recalled at right flanker. He is partnered by Viliame Ofahengaue, an un-capped former New Zealand

born in Tonga.

Alex Wyllie, the All Black coach, has focused much of his preparation on the three-quarters' defence, which was exposed when Scotland scored five tries

NEW ZEALAND: K J Crowley; J J Kirwan, C R Innes. W K Little, T J Wright: G J Fox, G M Bachoo: S C McDowell, S B T Fitzpatrick, R W Loe, A J Whettori, I Jones. G W Whetton (capt), M R Brewer, Z V Brooks.

AUSTRALIA: G J Martin; i M Williams, T J Horan, P Comish, D I Campese; M M P Lynagh, N C Fam-Jones (capit; A J Dely, P N Kearns, E J A McKartzle, V Orahengaue, P FitzSimons, R J McCaß, S N Tuynman, T

rest J M Fleming (Scotland).

• Ireland's panel of selectors will be completed at a meeting of the executive committee of the IRFU in Dublic tonight (George Ace writes). It is antici-pated that Ken Reid, the manager-chairman of selectors, and Ciaran Fitzgerald, the coach, will be joined by two survivors from last year's panel, Harry McKibbin Jr and Gerry Murray.

From David Hands IN SAN MIGUEL DE TUCUMÂN

THE pleasure of achieving the first win of their tour on shadowed for England by the loss, early in the second half, of Simon Hodgkinson. The Nottingham full back left the field at Club Atlético Tucuman with a painful rib injury and if he does not make a swift recovery then the touring party has problems. Despite the excellent form of

their forwards, who dominated the set pieces to establish victory by a try and five penalty goals against two tries and two penalties over Argentina's leading provincial side, there was no evidence to suggest England can yet expand their game

Neither Pears at stand-off half nor Liley, the replacement full pack, is playing with the confidence required for inter-national football and Hodgkinson is probably the best bet in the touring party for both positions. Since, however, he cannot split himself in two even when fully fit, some progress needs to be made in the two games remaining before the first international or there will be

nesday's game, played on a still, chill evening before a crowd of there was no fluid movement of chill evening before a crowd of 23.000 whose behaviour, while partisan, gave little cause for attacking wings were left largely concern. An empty bottle came over the fence just after Pears. with a well-struck penalty from nearly 50 metres, had restored time, but that was an isolated moment. The greater problem came from the lively Tucuman pack, whose rolling mauls gave

ngland no end of trouble in the first half-hour. Since England, during the same period, gave them a gift of a try when Pears delayed a clearance so long that Gabriel Teran charged it down and scored, it was as well that the visiting pack took complete charge of lineout and scrum.

They won the lineout count 21-5, Redman and Ryan doing particularly well at front and back, and it must have dismayed the home side too that their first scrummage, an area of considerable local pride, was completely shredded. The Engmanagement justifiably singled out Jason Leonard The young Saracens loose-head prop. for particular praise.

Since John Olver enjoyed a well-organised game in both phases, with his throwing at the lineout a pleasure to watch,

unserved, it was that, perhaps, which led Underwood into the aberration of a flat, cross-field run in the course of which a heavy tackle hurt his already bandaged right knee.

Happily he was able to continue and nearly scored in the corner, with considerable help Winterbottom, who was captain for the night, and achieved the position from which Olver crossed for England's try. But the absence of Carling, who withdrew on the morning of the match with a severish cold, left the midfield with no presence and allowed the Tucuman defence to concentrate close to the

Tucumán led 8-6 at the interval, after Martin Teran appeared from nowhere on a diagonal run in support of good first try. Hodgkinson, after an early sighter, cut the gap, but Teran's cousin, on the other wing, scored the second as poor he did turned to dust.

Fortunately for England, Martinez Riera, a late replace-ment at stand-off half, though

Tucuman last season, was not in his best goal-kicking form and Hodgkinson's second and third penalties, the last a fine achievement since he was in great them a slight advantage.

Olver's try suggested a grow

ing confidence before Martinez Riera found his range, the second penalty a somewhat unlikely award against Dooley for jumping off a shoulder, assistance of which the lock was in no need at all. However the referee penalised

Tucumán twice for not retreating 10 metres, which brought Pears within range for a kick which will have lifted his spirits and the youngster scored again before Tucumán, in a lively climax, foundered on an acutely uncasy defence. SCORERS: Tucumán: Tries: M Terár

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ENGLAND XV: S Hodgitheon (Nottingham, rep. J Liley, Leicester): T Underwood (Leicester): J Buckton (Saracans), G Thompson (Harlequins), C Oft (Wasps): D Peers (Harlequins), D Bitoris (Orreil): J Leonard (Saracans), J Oliver (Northumpton), J Probyn (Wasps), N Redman (Edit), W Dooley (Preston Grastropers). P Winterforom (Harlequins, capt), T Rodber (Northumpton).
Referee: J-L Rolandi (Suenos Aires).

Eddery teams up with Sapience as Sanglamore defects

By MICHAEL SEELY, RACING CORRESPONDENT

drawn from the King George VI do the same thing again, as I and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes and Pat Eddery is now to attempt to win Britain's most might not be a safe ride. important all-aged race for the third time on Sapience at Ascot

on Saturday week.

Jimmy Fitzgerald, the man who saddled Sapience to gain. that significant win in last week's Princess of Wales's Stakes, heard the news on his return to Malton from Catterick races yesterday.
"That's tremendous," said the

trainer. "It must be a big advantage to have a man who has already won the race twice and who also has such con-fidence in Sapience. After he'd won on the horse at Newmarket, he said that we just had to take A short time earlier, Roger

winner would be unexpectedly missing from the line-up. The horse is just not moving right or using himself properly on the name himsen properly on the firm going. It's been getting, progressively worse and he's getting more and more stumped up after being quite all right a fortnight ago. It's no good going-for a race like this unless you're one hundred per cent. After talking to Mr Abdulla, we've decided to rest the horse and Other news on the big-race;

front is that Henry Cecil is to send Old Vic and Belmez to Newbury tomorrow to be gal-loped after racing in order to determine whether either horse will be fit to run at Ascot. Cecil intends to work Be My Chief, who was so disappointing at Ayr last Saturday, with the Corals, having removed inglamore from their betting etain Salsabil as their favouri at 7-4. They then go 3-1 in Th Wings, 5-1 Cacoethes, 8-1 Sa-pience, 14-1 Charmer (from 20s), 16-1 Terimon and Assatis

At Sandown yesterday, Steve Canthen, having been relieved of £1,000 by the Jockey Club stewards earlier in the day, quickly redressed the balance by earling that amount in percent-ages when landing a double of ages when landing a double or over 26-1 on a sweltering

champion jockey held an im-promptu press conference after driving Shimmering Sea to a hard-fought win in the Milcars Fillies' Stakes. "T've always been a great ambassador for racing, so it's a bit tough to be accused of bringing the game info

SANGLAMORE has been with disrepute. Basically, I might well

backed favourite at 6-4 to follow Glowing Ardour by a neck with Clocke D'Or, a length away third. "She quickened nicely to after she'd hit the front."

A half-sister by Sup Anchor to Petoski, vesterday's winner, like the 1985 King George winner, was bred at the Lanvades stud by Kirsty Rausing. If the owner-approves, I'd like to run her in the May Hill Stakes at Don-caster," said Dick Hern.

The trainer then added that both Mukidaam and Dayjur have recovered from the cough Stakes at York.
Also basking success

in Newmarket Graham had assigned winner, when Cauthen in the Cauthen of High Spirited.

Graham, who acted as cantaker at West listey when Minster Son won, the St. Leger in 1988, is, like most trainers, flying to Kentucky this weekend for the Keepeland July sale.

Shelly Henden Al Markowith is also flying to Kentucky, but the finance minister of Dubai Alman finish first and second respectively in the Raynes Park States. The winner carried the

second colours and started at 33-1 for Peter Walwyn. Favourite backers had. caught in the final studes of the Heathrow Stakes and beaten a ort bead by Lanfranco Denori on Live Action.

ckeyship when riding the well-teked Persian Lord to a darrow Tattersalls Maiden Auction Plate at Catterick Bridge yesand 29) for

Perez adds gem to sparkling season

NO-HITTERS are things of rare pitched 11 scoreless innings beauty, so much so, the players call them "gems". Only six were recorded from 1984 to 1989. Seven have been pitched this season, which is little more than Todd Van Poppel, has signed. half over. Understandably, some of the gems cut this campaign have sparkled oddly, like dimestore gimeracks.

This season has produced a two-man no-hitter; no-hitters thrown by the tallest player and the oldest player; no-hitters in two countries on the same day, followed two days later by a losing no-hitter, and now, a shortened-game no-hitter.

Melido Perez hurled the last mentioned when he led the Chicago White Sox to an 8-0 win over the New York Yankees in a game that rain cut to sixand-a-third innings. Perez struck out nine batters and walked four. He became the first man to vield no hits in an abbreviated contest since his brother, Pasqual Perez, did so for Montreal against Philadelphia two years ago."

Andy Hawkins, who lost to games, he lost a no-hitter, attacking him.

lost a game that featured a no-hitier by the opposing pitcher. The latest schoolboy wonder. details were not released, but the Texan, aged 18, was reportedly guaranteed \$1 million. The 6ft 5ip, 1951b right-hander is considered the best high school pitching prospect in years:

.The A's chose Van Poppel fourteenth in the June draft, despite his insistence that he wanted to play college ball for the University of Texas. The Atlanta Braves had hoped to make him the first choice in the draft, but blanched at his supposed commitment to acade Their young pitchers, touted in the spring, have failed to lift the club from last place in the National League West.

Glenallen Hill, of the Toronto Blue Java, is on the disabled lier because of numerous cuts and bruises sustained during a nightmare. The outfielder careered. Melido Perez, had a bizarre run about his flat while dreaming of luck. In his three most recent that hordes of hairy spiders were TODAY'S FIXTURES

FOR THE RECORD

BADMINTON SAMARISCOA: Indonesian open champlon-ships; Second russid: Mee's singles: D Hall (GE) bt F. Garsento (Indo), 15-1, 15-7. Women's singles: F. Smith (GE) bt Swacathysten (Indo), 11-8, 11-4; H Troke (GE) bt S Jeroengiri (Tras), 11-1, 11-6. BASERALL

NATIONAL LEAGUE Chicago Cube 4, Sen Diago Padres 2: Cincinnet Hods 8, Montreal Expos 7 (11 hrus); Pitsburgh Prises 11, Sen Francisco Gisnis 2: Priseduthis Philips 4, Alfamia Branes 3: Los Angeleo Dodgers 6, St Louis Cardinels 1; Houston Astros 1, New World Maked 1 Francesco Maria S. Lon Angene Maria T., New York Mets O.
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ATHLETICS

BOLOGNA: Grand prix meeting: Minr: 100ne: First series: 1, A Nishom (Cari), 10.41; 2, T Jefferson (US), 10.50; 3, S Floris (In, 10.51; 3 Second series: 1, PF Pavoni (I), 10.50; 2, V Edet (Nigaria), 10.54; 3, P Stevens (Bal), 10.55; Tind series: 7, O Adentien (Nigaria), 10.35; 2, C Smith (US), 10.32; 3, D Mighell (US), 10.38, 690er: First sectios: 1, M Ado (Nigaria), 1min 45.27sac; 2, A Baragoti (I), 148.35; 3, J Nidae (Kan), 148.44, Second 103.2 2. C Smith (105), 10.05 3, 5 means (105), 10.38. Siden: First necises 1, M Aci (Nigeria), Imin 48.273ec; 2. A Barragai (10), 1.48.36; 3. J Midwa (16m), 1.48.36.34. Second series: 1, M Fee (Sem), 1.45.105; 2. D Kwitzera (Barrand), 1.45.10; 3. R Abdenous; (Alp.), 1.45.10; 3. R Abdenous; (B.), 1.45.10; 3. R Abdenous 51.10; 2, M. Figuereco, Erf., 51.31; 3, L. Leatharwood (US), 51.40; 1,500er; 1, H. Boutmerta (Aig), 4:08.14; 2, C. Cahill (GB), 4:09.04; 3, S. Vierraniles (Erg., 4:12.05; 5.000er; 1, N. Dendola (R), 15min 11.64eer; 2, J. Hunter (GB), 15:20.81; 3, A. Sergerer (Fr), 15:25.82; 4, J. Holland (GB), 15:31.78; 6, A. Peine (GB), 15:41.11, 100er hundles; 1, C. Oschkanat (E9), 15:41.11, 100er hundles; 1, C. Oschkanat (E9), 15:41.11, 100er hundles; 1, C. Dechlanat (GB), 13:17, Long [puer; 1, F. May (GB), 6:80er; 2, C. Learia (US), 6:45; 3, J. Innis.

(US). 6.37. Discus: 1, H. Wyholda (ES), 63.72m; 2, D. Galler (WG), 61.50; 3, L. Korokavich (USSR), 61.12m; 2, F. Tiles (Floral), 60.54; 3, K. Harrisi (Hun), 60.35.

NOSEL JAAF GRAND PFIDE Landens: Messer 100m; O. Adenium (Higarra), 40; British pistering; 5, L. Christie, 25; 800m; N. Roprotich (Ken), 32; British pistering; 4, T. McKlesn, 25; 800m; J. Falcon (US), 42; 5.000m; K. Skah (Mor), 41; isteh pistering; 4, T. McKlesn, 25; 800m; J. Falcon (US), 42; 5.000m; K. Skah (Mor), 41; isteh pistering; 4, T. McKlesn, 25; 800m; F. Harris (US), 30; High jamp; S. Marci (Hom), 45; Triptie jamp; O. Protsymto (USSR), 25; Stote R. Buckes (US), 30; Hemmer T. Gustafsson (Swe), 31; Women: 200m; P. Punner, 10; 100m; Mr. Harris (US), 41; 600m; D. Neisine (Rom), 45; 5,000m; P. Punner, 10; 100m; hurdise: L. Martin (US), 35; Long jamp; I Kravets (USSR), 41; British pistering; A. J. Hunter, 19; 100m; hurdise: L. Martin (US), 35; Long jamp; I Kravets (USSR), 41; British pistering; G. F. May, 31; Discour: I. Wyhddis (EG), 46; Jevelin: I Lopez (Cubs), 28.

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RAPID CRICKETLINE SECOND XI CHARD-IONSHIP: The Own: Surrey 287-5 dec (C K Bullen SX; Nothingheishire 8-0. Bedford School: Northamptonshire 291-8 (R R Montengerie 1173 ort orth v Medicane Montgomerte 103 not out) v Middlesex.

MINOR COUNTIES CHAMP/ONSHIP;
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123 not out, J Abrahems 105 not out) and 251-3 dec (M R Davies 103 not out) and 251-3 dec (M R Davies 103 not out, J Abrahems.
113 not out): Buckinghamshire 212-9 dec (S Burtow 68, G Bchrusnic 6-50) and 242-8 (M J Roberts 88, S Burrow 55 not out; G Edmunds 2-50). Metch drawn. Desitigious: Staffordshire 253-4 dec (S Osen 105 not out; D Cartedge 79; Durham 142-3. Troubindage: Wathirs 257-6 dec (D R Turner 148, B H White 56) and 215-2 dec (D R Turner 64, B H White 56) and 215-2 dec (D R Turner 168, C R Transitif 4-51) and 235-8 (S Hooper 183 not out; D Pistopides 5-79). Match drawn.

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BASKETBALL KUALA LUMPUR: Women's world champles-ships: Counter-Realts: Group A: Cuba 75, Canada 89; United States 93, Bulgaria 72. Group 8: Caschostovatis 83, Australia 54; Yugoslavia 84, Soviet Union 63.

BOWLS PUNCHARD CUP: Gloucestershire 146, Someract 110.
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WERNE E BAY: Kest pain championship: Semi-ficais: Cyphers 18, Betteshanger 15; Seventedie 13, Folleston Park 24.

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SCUTTEND-ON-SEA: Hearts of Oak men's open tournement: Fours: Guarte-Gallet D Westers (Ellertony) 31, D Martin (Prittlewell) 10: J Stalken (Essex County) 17, D Evans (Shal) 12: C Taylor (Ellertony) 17, R Levis (Prittlewell) 12: C Taylor (Ellertony) 17, R Levis (Prittlewell) 12: C Taylor (Ellertony) 14, M Abraham (South-funct) Parid 22: Secol Stalks: Westers 12, Scalwan 16; Taylor 22, Abraham 10.

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(4-32,98) st Netherlands (4-35,05).

GOLF DARLINGTON: Gelf Foundation Natiliest ago group chempionship: Registrati final: Boye: Under-10: A Greenbarte (Kendel), 70; Under-15: P Blaney (Bedlingtonshire), 74; Under-15: K Forrie (Bodlingtonshire), 75; Under-15: K P Statise (Harrogate), 75; Under-15: J Angus Wartenship, 86 RUGBY UNION

SPEEDWAY CRADLEY: Golden Hammer: 1, S Cross (Cradley Heath), 13; 2, R Correy (Wolver tempton), 12; 3, K Tetum (Coventry), 11.

STUTTGART: Grand pirk tournament: Second round: A Görnez (Ec) bi L. Menter (Br), 7-5, 6-4; H Stott (Austria) bi J. Arins (US), 8-2, 6-4; E. Jeien (WG) bi T. Insistria) bi J. Arins (US), 8-2, 6-4; E. Jeien (WG) bi T. Insistria), 4-8, 6-2, 2-9, nst; K Novacek (Gz) bi fil. Jeien (Arg.), 7-5, 6-7, 6-1; A Chernolove (USSRI) bi J. Yazga (Peru), 6-3, 6-3; F Davin (Arg.) bi M Wilsnider (Bue), 6-1, 4-6, 6-2; A Chernolove (USSRI) bi K Monaciki (Cz), 7-5, 9-8, 8-4; H Leconte (Fil) bi A Chernolove (USSRI) bi K Monaciki (Cz), 7-5, 9-8, 8-4; H Leconte (Fil) bi A Chernolove (USSRI), 7-5, 6-2, E Sánchez (Sp) bit R Fromberg (Aus), 6-3, 2-6, 6-2; E dalajn (WG) bit F Davin (Arg.), 4-6, 7-6, 5-2,

Bout is switched Johnny Nelson, the British cruiserweight boxing champion. has had his European title bout in Nice with Anaclet Wamba changed from August 10 to

EVENING RACING

Chepstow Going: firm 8.30 (1m 45) 1, Cameo Parlomance (D Dunnechie, 11-10 (r-tav); 2, Sesame (11-10 (r-tav); 3, Coppar River (10-1), 9 ran. NRs: Good Spark, Art Form, Tonda Bridge, 2, 7, 8 Hills, Tols: 52,70; \$1.30, \$1.20, \$1.10. DF: \$1.40, GSF: \$2.49,

FOOTBALL

Shobeir starts training with Everton squad

AHMED Shobeir, the Egypt international goalkeeper, yes-terday took his first tentative steps towards a career in the Football League (lan Ross writes). The player, whose impressive performances in the World Cup finals in Italy drew unanimous praise, has joined Everton for the opening ten days of the club's pre-season training. It is, however, unlikely that Shobeir, aged 28, will sign for Everton. In order to be granted the necessary work permit Shobeir would almost certainly have to installed as a first team regular above Southall. Everton hope to strengthen their senior squad before the start of next season by signing Mike Milligan, the Oldham Athletic midfield player, for a fee of around £700,000,

• FLORENCE: Liverpool, the League champions, have been invited to play a friendly match against Fiorentina next month. Chelsea were granted detailed planning permission for a Mattard Road, on the outskirts of 35.000 capacity, all-seat stadium by Hammersmith and Fulham Council yesterday. The consent for three new stands, holding 24,000 spectators, plus office accommodation, is allied to the present East Stand. . . Terry Venables, the Totten-

CRICKET

Texaco Trophy 10.45, 55 overs TRENT BRIDGE: England y India COLCHESTER: Essex v Derbyshire

PORTSMOUTH: Hampshire v UXBRIDGE: Middlesex v Yorkshire NORTHAMPTON: Northampton shire v Kent GUILDFORD: Surrey v Sussex COVENTRY: Warwickshire y

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WORCESTER: Worcestershire v

Minn Sen's suggestion for a sporting day out THE SKATE ELECTRIC BRITISH ARTISTIC ROLLER SKATING ships, organised by the Federation of Roller Skating, are being held at the Mallard Park Exhibition Centre,

Sunday.

Thirty-three competitors are expected to take part in the event. Tomorrow it starts at 8em and ends at 7.10pm; on Sunday, 8am and. 4.45pm. Tickets: adults £5, children, under-16s and OAPs £4. Terry Venables, the Tottenham Hotspur manager, and
Irving Scholar, the chairman,
vesterday denied reports that
Juventus the Italian club, have
Flocco, the European champions, offered £12 million for Paul will display their pairs skills.

Gascoiene and Gary Lineker. The Malard Park Exhibition

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GOLF: The Open Championship (St Andrews). AOWING: National championships (Nottingham). SWIMMING: Wetch national champion-ships (Cardiff).

ATHLETICS: Parcelforce Games (Crystal

VOLLEYBALL: Royal Bank International tournament (Birmingham).

ATHLETICS: ITV 8.0-9.0pm and C4 8.55-10.0pm. Action from the Parcelloroe Games from Crystal Peláce." Games from Crystel Peace.
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and 9.0-11.0pm. Major Leegue highlights.
BOOMA: Screensport 11.0pm-12.30am,
Professional boxing from America.

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Centre was built more than ten years ago as a tennis centre. The organisers have imported a 50 x 25-metre portable rink with a special surface made of densol and chipboard from the United States. The Notional Stretch Association chipotate from the ormeo states. The National Stating Association invested in this rink last year for the British and European artistic roller-stating championships. It is assembled piece by piece like a puzzle by a special firm of construction

a special arm or construction workers.
How to get there: By rail: trains runtime times every hour from Kings cross. The price of a return ticker is £21 return and £13.85 return with a railcard. By treat: The A1 passes about 10 miles from Petarborough. Near Wansford take the A47, which will take were directly for Bredon Way. will take you directly to Bredon Way and the Echibinon Centre.

CRECKET: BBC 2 10.10am-1.20pm, 1.35-2.0pm, 2.05-7.30pm. Use coverage of sacond one-day insurantingnal between England and India from Trent Bridge (shares coverage with golf from St. Andrews). BBC2 12.15-1.05am. High-lights. BSB 8.0-11.30pm. Highlights of the cricket and the Open.
CYCLING: C4 6.30-7pm and 1.05-1.25am. Highlights of Stage 19 of the Tour de France. Eurosport 9-10am, 6-7pm and 1.2am. Highlights of the Tour de France. Eurosport 9-10am, 6-7pm and 1.2am. Highlights of the Tour de France. GOLF: BBC1 midday-12.55pm. Coverage of the 119th Open Chempionship from St. Andrews. BBC2: 10.10am-1.20pm. 2.05-7.30pm (shares coverage with cricket from Trent Bridge), Highlights: BBC2: 11.35pm-12.15am. Eurosport 1.0-6.30pm. and midnight-1.0am. The Open. Championship. BSB 4.30-5.0pm. Behind the soares of the USPGA tour Screensport 7.0-8.0am. US Women's Open from Alterna, Georgia.
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Review of the day. RUGBY LEAGUE: BSB 2.0-3.30pm. Action front Australia RUGBY UNION: TTV 3.25-5.0em (tomor-row). Live coverage of New Zealand v Australia from Christofruch.

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SHOW JUMPING: Screensport 2.6AGm. Kerrygold Nations Cup.

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J.230em.

Soviets will unite Seattle (AP) - Athletes from Latvia, Lithuania and Estonia will be part of the Soviet.
Union's delegation to the 1992.
Olympic Games, Nikolai,
Rusak, a leading sports official. said yesterday. The Inter-national Olympic Committee has told the republics that it will not interfere in the internal

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Walwyn: steps Tadwin

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18ib. Earlier in the month, La Grange Music had also beaten

Sharpalto by four lengths over

Even after making every

Dead Certain in the Cork and

Orrery Stakes at Royal Ascot

is certainly evidence of that -

By Our Newmarket

Correspondent

3.30 Constant Delight.

2.30 Mujaazif. 3.00 LA GRANGE MUSIC (nap).

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NEWBURY

Selections

Michael Seely's selection: 3.00 Tadwin.

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 3.00 TADWIN.

Draw: high numbers have slight advantage up to 1m straight

BETTING: 9-4 Researching, 9-2 Avra, 5-1 Oogle Poogle, 11-2 Fermin, 13-2 Amerindian, 12-1 Pharynz, 14-1 Sheerwind, 15-1 others.

FORM FOCUS FARMIN stayed on wall to finish 4%/4 4th to Bawbee in a 16-runner malden at Leicester (1m. good to firm). AVRA started slowly and ran green when 234/210 of 8 to Royal Hunter at Notarighters (1m. 21, good to firm).

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I'm, heavy) last season but sheed with promise on reappearance when 6%i 4th of 9 to Arzenni at

Selection: AVRA

2.30 EBF ECCHINSWELL MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O; 24.027; 6f) (17 runners)

SETTING: 7-2 Denzarin, 4-1 Trainbleu, 9-2 Gianorthem, 5-1 Mujaszif, 8-1 Lucknam Draamer, Jamaica Joe, 10-1 Budget, 14-1 others. 1989: CURIA REGIS 9-0 W Carson (8-1) W Hem 18 ran

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Course specialists

1969: RIVER'S RISING 8-11 Pat Eddery (13-2) J Tree 18 rat

2.0 ALDBOURNE MAIDEN STAKES (3-Y-O: £3,997: 1m 2f) (10 runners)

By MANDARIN (MICHAEL PHILLIPS)

TADWIN, from Peter Walwyn's local Lambourn stable, looks capable of winning the listed Hackwood Stakes at Newbury today with only 8st 3lb to carry, and she is my

By winning a handicap at Newcastle last time out with 13lb more on her back, this daughter of that top-class sprinter Never So Bold thoroughly earned this step up in

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r opile :

A line through the consistent Norton Challenger, to whom she gave 6lb and a head beating at Newcastle, would appear to give her the edge over Katzakeena because earlier in the season Katzakeena had given Norton Challenger 4lb and an identical beating at

When weighing up Tadwin's chance today it is today's course and distance also pertinent to point out that but when conceding him only another form line emerged 111b. from her race at Newcastle involving the third horse allowance for the fact that La Sharpalio. He has been a Grange Music has gone on model of consistency this improving - his good third season as his form figures for behind Great Commotion and this evening's Waterbeach Handicap at Newmarket will

In the Newcastle sprint I still feel that Tadwin has an

By Mandarin

2.00 Researching. 2.30 Mujaazif.

3.30 Usaylah.

4.30 Janiski.

Going: good to firm

4.00 Lee Artiste.

3.00 TADWIN (nap).

Half an hour later, her to crack in the Thoroughbred jockey Willie Carson can also Technology Maiden Fillies land the Ridgeway Handicap Stakes at Newmarket where I on Usaylah, whose style of racing when winning her last ing that Sharpalto (7.30) has a two races at Goodwood more sound chance of winning than hinted that she should be again now that he is racing capable of outstaying Con- again over seven furlongs, the stant Delight, who was such a distance over which he acdisappointing favourite at counted so readily at Redcar York a week ago. for Wednesday's Yarmouth

Whatever she achieves this winner Kawwas before reverttime, her jockey Walter Swinburn should be on the target with Mujaazif (2.30), prior to flying back to Newmarket where he will also be expected to win the 8.25 event on Dance Ahead.

Mujazzif, my selection for the EBF Ecchinswell Maiden Stakes, is a colt by Alydar, who cost his owner Sheikh Maktoum Al-Maktoum the princely sum of \$1 million when he was bought in the United States last year.

As his dam, Miss Snowflake, who won over six furlongs there, has already bred a colt capable of winning the Preakness Stakes, this is clearly a family that is brimful with ability. By all accounts, his stable

companion Dance Ahead.

who is by Shareef Dancer and

(5.15), who was a commend-able fourth in the Ascot Stakes last time out, and the progressive three-year-old Officer Cadet (6.15).

ing to sprinting.

Finally, Billy Newnes, his ego boosted, and rightly so, as a result of the polished ride that he gave Eradicate when winning last Saturday's Magnet Cup at York, can capture the Type Tees Television Handicap at Thirsk for James Toller on Dry Point.

3.0 HACKWOOD STAKES (Listed race: £11,348: 6f) (14 runners)

BETTRIC: 7-2 La Grange Music, 9-2 Tadwin, 11-2 Caro's Treasure, 6-1 Rivers Rhapeody, Savahra and, 13-2 Katzakeena, 10-1 Duck And Diva. Tod, 18-1 others.

1989: GREEN'S CANALETTO 3-8-5 R Coctyane (5-1) W Jarvis 5 ran

FORM FOCUS SAVAMRA SOURD Joest Piero Gardino
1%1 in a listed race at San Sitro (8f, heavy) on panultimets start.

CAROL'S TREASURE best Barrys Gamble a reck in a listed race at Haydock (8f, firm) on penultimets that.

CAROL'S TREASURE best Barrys Gamble a reck in a listed race at Haydock (8f, firm) on penultimets that with PERY ADJACENT 10th and SILCA SUPREMIE 27th. KATZA-KEENA best Norton Crastenger a need at York (8f, good to firm). On penultimets start, interest 4f 3rd of 9 to 86f Lex at Sandown (8f, good to firm). RIVERS and MARAGENT 10th as a standown (8f, good to firm) with DUCK AND DIVE (seme terms) 2%1 4th with CAROL'S TREASURE (seme terms) 2%1 4th with CAROL'S TREASURE (seme terms) a neek 5th and PALEY PRINCE latest 11/4 3rd of 17 to Great Commotion in a the group III Cork And Orrey at Royal Ascot (8f, good) to soft) 9th. TADMIN best Norton Challenger a head in a 12-runner handered at Newcastle (6f, with TOD (3th worse of) 11 5th and AFWAJ (11b)

FORM FOCUS LIFEY LACE displayed when talked off behind Cruising Height at Warwick (1m 45 52xd, good); earlier won a issed race in tally (1m 1f, sold) by 2 from Dongo. SPURNED has run in better company since chasing home Ratha at Epsom (1m 16)yd, good) was one pead when 9 3rd to Stapleford Menor at Windsor (1m 2f 22yd, good to Stapleford Menor at Windsor (1m 2f 22yd, good to firm). SHIFTING BRIESE 51 behind in 3rd and should confirm the placings on 8th worse terms. CONSTANT DELIGHT could only finish 6th when beaten 214 to Able Player Selection: MADRITYA.

4.0 CHATTIS HILL MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES (2-Y-O: £3.905; 5f) (14 runners)

BETTING: 7-2 Lee Artiste, 9-2 Beatle Song, 11-2 Shot Stopper, 6-1 Eastern Aura, 10-1 Others. 1988: POLAR BIRD 8-11 W Carson (3-1) 8 Hits 8 ran

4.30 WHITE HORSE HANDICAP (£4,425: 2m) (6 runners)

FORM FOCUS BEATLE SONG was peed on her two starts to date including 2%I 4th to be started to be started on the start of th

tant Delight, 6-1 Liffey Lace, 15-2 Spurned, 12-1 oth

best Northern Goodess 21th here (6f. good to firm); SURE: (same terms) a neck 5th and PA latest 11th 3rd of 17 to Great Commotion in a the group III Cork And Orrey at Royal Ascot (6i, good) with TOD (3th worse off) II 5th and AFWAJ (1th better off) 5th 8th. HANA MARIE 2th 3rd of 28 to Selection: LA GRANGE MUSIC (msp)

3.30 RIDGEWAY HANDICAP (3-Y-O: fillies: £5,299: 1m 2f) (8 runners)

BETTING: 16-8 Mediriya, 3-1 Usayleh, 5-1 Constant Delight, 6-1 Liffey Lace, 15-2 Spurne 1989: FALSE START 7-4 Dale Gibson (9-4 fav) W Hastings-Bess 11 ran

Clear, will also be a tough nut

make no apologies for repeat-

Tiger Flower, who has been

working nicely with the likes of the French Oaks winner

Rasha since beating Akfar at

Leicester in the spring, is

taken to win the Antec Inter-

At Ayr, Bill Watts can land

double with Good Hand

national King's Gap Stakes.

Muddle set to start training

RICHARD Muddle has been granted a dual purpose training licence. The former jockey's stables are at Southwell racecourse, and he will have a mixed team of 30 horses.

Muddle rode about 200 wipners after joining Ryan Price as an amateur and then being apprenticed with Ken Payne, Staff Ingham, Frenchie Nicholson and John Dunlop.

He joined his father, Ron, as a director of Lingfield Park racecourse in 1983 and for a short while was clerk of the course. The Muddles sold Lingfield in 1988 and their company now

"The main reason why I applied for a combined trainer's licence was to maximise the tremendous training facilities now at Southwell," said

He hopes to have his first runners before the end of the

French raid

THE Barry Hills-trained Observation Post and Luca Cumani's Pirate Army were among yesterday's six acceptors

for the group two Prix Maurice de Nieuil (Im 4½) at Maisons-Laffitte on Sunday.

However, the group two Prix Robert Papin, for two-year-olds over 5½ furiongs, has not attracted any British challengers. The filly The Perfect Life, a winner of the group three Prix du Bois at Longchamp 12 days ago, heads nine acceptors.

Cauthen fined £1,000 over refusal to ride Payne colt

STEVE Cauthen was fined £1,000 by the Jockey Club yesterday after an enquiry into why he refused to ride Nicholas Payne at Leicester in May.

Cauthen had weighed out on the Pip Payne-trained colt for the Tote Credit Handicap on May 29, but made a last-minute decision not to take the ride.

Richard Fox, who was present at the near two hour enquiry at Portman Square, substituted on the colt who finished eighth.

Cauthen, who was found guilty under rule 220 (111) which deals with bringing racing into disrepute, was unhappy with yesterday's decision and said he would do the same thing again.
"The hearing went fair

the outcome. The rule under which I was fined had no relevance to the situation. It was a one-off situation and I felt they weren't open minded," said Cauthen, who was represented by Matthew McCloy.

enough, but I still disagreed with

"We put across a good case our evidence was good but they didn't see it our way. I didn't think it was fair of the trainer to book me for that particular horse. There is no doubt he was a difficult ride — everbody backed me," Cauthen continued.

But at the time Payne had said: "I think one or two of the jockeys were winding Steve up, saying my horse is a difficult

ride, which it definitely isn't." Cauthen concluded: "I would do the same again, but it's a situation which doesn't happen that often."

Nicholas Payne, who has raced twice since Cauthen stepped down at Leicester, runs again at Newmarket today when he will be ridden by Michael Wigham,

 Willie Musson, the New-market trainer, lost his appeal against the £600 fine imposed on him by the Beverley stewards concerning the running and riding of his Swift Silver in the Eltherington Handicap on June 13. The stewards considered the horse had not been allowed to

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Selections By Mandarin

2.15 Friend In Deed, 2.45 Lucky Barnes, 3.15 Dry Point. 3.45 Monteros Boy. 4.15 Glastondale. 4.45 Powersurge. 5.15 Minstrel Dancer. By Our Newmarket Correspondent

Going: firm Draw: 5f-6f, high numbers best 2.15 WHITWELL STAKES (2-Y-O: £2,924: 5f) (5

4.45 Cool Dancer. 5.15 Minstrel Dancer.

1 213 ATHENIAN KING 69 (D.F) C Tinkier 9.3.... D Met 2 41 FRIEND IN DEED 14 (D) Denys Smith 9.3 J Bitess 3 201 POETS COVE 80 (D.F) W Carter 9.3..... W New 4 3120 POED 9 (D.F) R Vindsker 8-12....... J Co 5 10 HIDIGO 41 (D.F) R Vindsker 8-12....... A Cash 5-4 Food Of Love, 11-4 Advensor King, 5-1 Poets Cove, 6-1 Friend in Deed, 10-1 Indigo. 2.45 NESS SELLING STAKES (3-Y-O: £2,448: 1m)

9-4 Eurobieke, 5-2 Lucky Barnes, 100-30 Lady Magenta 7-1 Collex Sam, 8-1 into The Future.

3.15 TYNE TEES TELEVISION HANDICAP (22,898:

8 6555 ESTEFAN 7 (8) M W Easterby 3-8-2.... 9 6006 ELOFAHABIT 18 (F) L Serrat 4-7-7.... 5-2 Daleside Ladybird, 3-1 Our Fan, 9-2 Crotter's Cline, Dry Point, 8-1 Red Rosein, 10-1 Ensharp, 14-1 Brutus, 18-1 others, 3.45 LEVY BOARD APPRENTICE HANDICAP (£2,532: 1m) (11) 1 4411 DEPUTY TIM 7 (D.F.Q.S) R Bastiman 7-10-4 (4ex)

2 1631 MONTEROS BOY 10 (D,F,G) B HBs 5-9-12 (46x) D Holland 8 3 0106 MICE MANA 18 (D.F.G.S) W Pearce 5-9-8 C Hodgson 8 4 0020 HOMEY BOY SINEA 29 (Y.D.F.G) M O'Neil 4-9-1

5 5-00 GO FOR GLORY 59 J J O'Nell 3-9-1 A Dobble 11 6 2803 BIG ECK 25 (B.F) M British 3-8-1 A Dobble 17 6 2803 BIG ECK 25 (B.F) M British 3-8-8 J Hambell (7) 4 7 0405 REBUCADA 9 (F.G) T Farhurst 4-8-5 J Farning 5 8 000- MATAY 284 (G) P BOOKley 5-6-3 M N Kennedy 10 9 1005 HTCHENSTOWN 7 (CD.F.G.S) M O'Nell 7-8-2 3 Birch 1 10 04/1 TROPICO 10 (D.F.G.) I Wardle 7-8-1 (4ex) F Norton 9 11 0-00 DUFFER'S DANCER 13 (F.G.) T Kensey 8-7-13 Shapen Kenney C. S

11-4 Monteros Boy, 4-1 Nice Mana, 6-1 Deputy Tim. 8-1 Hitchenstown, Resucada, 10-1 Tropico, 16-1 others.

4.15 WESTHORPE HANDICAP (£3,448: 1m 4f) (2) 1 GE21 GLASTONDALE 11 (D,F,G) T Barron 4-10-2 (6ex) Alex Greenes (5) 2 2 0223 KEEP BIDDING 23 (B) M W Easterby 4-9-10

8-11 Glastondale, Evens Keep Bidding. 4.45 BYWELL MAIDEN STAKES (3-Y-O: £2,337:

4-5 Powersurge, 4-1 Philipa's Her. 6-1 Indoes 6-1 Cool Dancer, 12-1 Kalalee.

5.15 MOUNT ST JOHN GRADUATION STAKES (3-Y-O: £2,507: 6f) (4)

4 0-00 STAR TRACKER 2 W A Sisphenson 8-6... S Webster 1 4-9 Minearel Dencer, 4-1 Quili, 10-1 Canbrack Style, Star Tracker.

Course specialists

TRAINERO: B Hills. 11 winners from 35 numers, 31.4%; H Thomson Jones, 12 from 41, 29.3%; L Currani, 5 from 18, 27.8%; M Stoute, 7 from 27, 25.9%; R Whitaker, 18 from 126, 14.8%; C Tinider, 7 from 55, 12.7%. JOCKEYS: R Hills, 13 winners from 62 rides, 21.0%; W Newmes, 4 from 28, 14.3%; A Murro, 7 from 55, 12.7%; A Custene, 10 from 83, 12.0%. (Only qualifiers).

NEWMARKET

Selections

By Mandarin 6.30 Cool Run. 7.0 Golden Daffodil. 7.30 Sharpalto. 8.0 Tiger Flower. 8.25 Dance Ahead. 8.55 Sunset Dreams.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent 6.30 Kashtala. 7.0 Golden Daffodil. 7.30 Langtry Lady. 8.0 Tiger Flower. 8.25 Dance Ahead. 8.55

Going: good to firm Draw: no advantage 6.30 HARSTON FILLIES HANDICAP (£4,337: 1m 2f)

3-1 Kalaparty, 7-2 Taylor's Realm, 9-2 Cool Run, 6-1 Lashtala, 8-1 Rio Piedras, 10-1 others. 7.0 LINKS CLAIMING STAKES (3-Y-O: £4,045: 1m

21) (13) 1 0010 WESTGATE ROCK 25 (DJF) (BF) L Cumani 9-7

6 0 LISA ROSA 21 W Musson 8-9 --- 13 7 0365 STARDING ROOM ONLY 20 H Candy 8-9 ... C Ruther 2 8 8469 GLITTERSIRD 25 (B) G Pritchard-Gordon 8-8 4-1 Westgate Rock, 9-2 Golden Daffodil, 11-2 Wish Chick, 6-1 Nicholas Payne, 13-2 Bdocal, 8-1 Ash Amour, 14-1 others.

Blinkered first time NEWBURY: 3.0 Sitca Supreme, 3.30 Spurmed. THERSK: 2.45 Lady Magenta. 3.15 Red Rosert, NEWMARKET: 7.0 Glitterbird. 7.30 Parliament Piece.

7.30 WATERBEACH HANDICAP (£3,785: 7f) (10) 1 0101 FEDORIA 10 (CD,F,G,S) M Jervis 4-10-1 (6ex) 8 Re 5 3132 SHARPALTO 6 (D.G) E Wheeler 3-9-2....... M Wig 6 5100 PROFIT A PRENDRÉ 10 (D.F,S) D Wilson 6-8-13 7 4231 TAUBER 7 (D.F.G.S) Par Mitchell 8-8-10 (Sec.) 8 O'German (5) 2 8 002- MEL'S ROSE 178J (D.F.G.) G Huffer 5-8-8 9 0005 REGAL THATCH 16 (B.D.F) C British 3-8-4 M Roberts B 10 2520 LUST OF LOVE 27 (D.BF,F) Miss L Skidel 4-8-2 9-2 Tauber, 11-2 Lust Of Love, Profit A Prendre, 6-1 Fedorie, 8-1 Parliament Piece, 10-1 Sharpaho, 12-1 others. 8.0 ANTEC INTERNATIONAL KING'S GAP STAKES (3-Y-O: £5,117: 1m 4f) (4) 13-8 Seauchamp Express, 3-1 Hajade, 4-1 Admiral Byng, 6-1 Tiger Flower. 8.25 THOROUGHBRED TECHNOLOGY MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES (2-Y-O: £3,477: 7f) (4) 4-5 Dance Ahead, 3-1 Ower, 4-1 Glowlemp, 8-1 Don't

8.55 WAVERTREE MAIDEN STAKES (3-Y-O: £3,630: 1m) (9) 2-1 French Senor, 11-4 Croupier, 7-2 Walti Gold, 8-1 Durkhan, 10-1 Tinca, 14-1 Choir Precises, 16-1 others.

Course specialists TRAINERS: H Cacil. 91 winners from 369 runners, 24.7%; M Stoute, 57 from 323, 17.6%; L Current, 55 from 323, 17.6%; H Candy, 13 from 104, 12.5%; C Benstead, 10 from 85, 11.8%; R Allehast, 5 from 45, 10.9%. JOCKEYS: S Cautherr, 114 winners from S64 rides, 20.2%; W Carson, 78 from 549, 14.2%; Pat Eddery, 76 from 538, 14.1%; W R Swinburn, 58 from 424, 13.7%; R Cockmane, 58 from 472, 12.3%; B Reymond, 37 from 335, 11.0%.

2, Cosmic Dencer (9-2); 3, Brequet (10-1). 7 ran. 5l, %l. P Calver. Tota: £4.40; £2.50, £3.40. DF: £5.60. CSF: £15.51.

Wednesday's

late results Sandown Park

Caing: good to firm
7.20 (56) 1, Loft Boy (W R Swinburn, 13-2); 2, Martinosky (7-2); 3, Sice Berry (9-1), Pendor Dancer: 100-30 (se. 9 ran. 1), 11, 3 ethell. Tota: \$6.50; \$2.50; \$1.50; \$1.50, \$2.30. DF: \$13.60; \$5.50; \$2.71.2 Tricast: \$184.27, 7.50 (7); 1, Vallant Words (T Williams, 5-1); 2, Pigrin's Parit (13-2); 3, Khulm (10-1), Brother Ray 4-8 (se. 7 ran. Hd. 4). R Akehurst, Tota: \$2.50; \$2.00; \$2.10. DF: \$11.60. CSF: \$231.71.

201 (cm 6) 1, Sastiah (Pat Eddery, 9-4 tav); 2, Double Dutch (13-2); 3, Folk Danca (9-1), 6 ran. 3, %L R Akehurst. Tota: 23.00; 51.80, £2.80. DF: £10.60. CSF: £15.25.

215.25.

8.55 (Im 29) 1. Hiedesham Harry (R Cochrane, 14-1); 2. Pappagalio (7-2); 3. Bold Marit (8-1). Enterprise Lady 5-2 fav. 8 ran. Sh hd. 194 G Pritchen-Gordon. Tote: 915.00; 22.40, 21.80, 22.30. DF: 232.70. CST: 257.72.

Steve Cauthen travels to Germany on Sunday to renew his partnership with Mondrian in the group one Grosse Preis der Berliner Bank (12f) at Dusseldorf. British hopes will be carried by Paul Cole's Ibn Bey (Richard Quinn), who has beaten Mondrian twice before, and Paul Kelleway's Artic En-

and Paul Kelleway's Artic En-

voy, the mount of John Reid.

ot: £637.50.

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| 3.45 MONKWOO | D MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O filfies: £2,507: 6f) (10 runners) |
| 1 (5) 2 (4) 3 (10) 54 | CORCINA (Y Birol) M Bell 8-11. GLEMARRIE (F. Johnstone) J S Wison 5-11. A Mackey GLEMARRIE (F. Johnstone) J S Wison 5-11. T Williams 85. HO CONCERT S3 (Woodberry Ltd) M Brittsin 6-11. T Williams 85. |
| 6 (9) 62 7 (7) 0220 | MUMMY'S EMERALD 35 (A LYONS) C SCOUTO'T NETTHA 20 (Mrs E Queyle) K Brassey 8-11 NETHA 20 (Mrs E Queyle) K Brassey 8-11 K Darley 9-39 M Block |
| BETTING: 5-2 No | TIA PERLITA (F Lee) F Lee 9-11 TIME OF MY LIFE 27 (C Pennick) Denys Smith 8-11 |
| Concert, 12-1 Tra Per | Hita, 14-1 Culions. Sep. CHP OF TRICKS 8-11 S Kelghtley (4-11 fev) B Hanbury 5 ran |
| 4.15 WEST SOU | ND RADIO HANDICAP (E3,080: 71) (6 runners) |
| 1 (2) 150424 2 (4) 040063 3 (5) 200-003 4 (1) 0-54036 5 (3) 003040 | DONOVAN ROSE 6 (Y,C,F,G,S) (P Savil) J Berry 5-9-10 |

1989; CHICA MIA 5-9-5 K Fallon (11-4 tav) J Parkes 7 ran

Course specialists

Guide to our in-line racecard

163 (12) 0-0432 GOOD TIMES 74 (CD,BF,F,G,S) (Mrs D Robinson) B Hall 9-10-0 B West (4) 8 Receard number. Draw in brackets. Six-figure form (F – fell. P – pulled up. U – unseated rider. B – brought down. S – stoped up. R – retused. F – firm, good to lirm, hard. G – good. D – disqualfied). Horse's name, Days since last S – soft, good to soft, heavy). Owner in outing; J if µmps, F if flat. (B – blinkers. V – visor. H – hood. E – Eyechteid. C – course and wilght. Rider plus any allowance. The Times Private winner. D – distance winner. CD – course and Handicapper's rating.

4.45 WEST SOUND RADIO SELLING STAKES (£2,763: 1m) (10 runners) L Chamock 74 NON-RUNNER —

1999: CAPITAL BUILDER 3-8-1 L Chemock (9-2) G Moore 8 ran 5.15 WILLIAM THE LION HANDICAP (£7,740: 2m 4f 90yd) (3 runners) Long handicap: Wessex 7-3.

BETTING: 1-4 Good Hand, 5-1 Count My Blessings, 10-1 Wessex. 1989: GREEN ARCHER 6-8-4 A Munro (13-8 fav) Mrs J Ramsden 5 ran 5.45 TROON TIMES CLAIMING STAKES (£2,553: 1m) (7 runners)

6.15 AYR ADVERTISER HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £3.522: 1m 3f) (10 runners)

1 (4) 03-0P13 VISAGE 24 (F) (C Wiright) D Arbutinot 9-7.
2 (5) 6-19220 GOLDEN TORQUE 7 (C-F-5) (T Smith) R Bastiman 9-4.
3 (9) 004213 RAGE 22 (F) (Lady Murless) M H Easterby 8-13.
4 (7) 031444 IT'S THE PITS 7 (S) (P Switi) G Lewis 8-6.
5 (5) 346-031 KE MAGIC 25 (0) (Mrs. J MacPharson) P Calver 8-6.
6 (1) 189224 NORTHGATE KING 2 (S) (M Brittain) M Brittain 8-1.
7 (3) 4550- ANOTHER MARICUESSA 256 (F Lee) F Lee 7-12.
8 (2) 50-0511 OFFICER GADET 13 (0) (Lord Derby) J Watts 7-11.
9 (5) 00-0002 LUSTREMAN 15 (Smiths Cleaning Service) M Channon 7-10. K Fallon McKeowa (2) Williams (2) Girlind (3) J.Lowe

Long handicap: Lypheros 7-5. BETTING: 3-1 Officer Cadet, 7-2 Rage, 4-1 Northgate King, 6-1 It's The Pits, 8-1 Ice Magic, 10-1 Visage, 1989: LOGAMENIO 10-1 K Darley (4-11 tav) N Tinkler 4 ran

FORM FOCUS VAGADOR, has been disappointing, 2f 3rd by Heresheis at Chepstow (2m, good). CATHOS was a further 3f back in 5th but is 5b better off today. JAMSKI 3f 2m for Folk Dance at Warnink (1m 6f 180yd, good to firm) on this only start this season. Last year he twice finished behind Chucklestone including an 8f 4th over course and distince (good to firm) on the latter occasion but is 6b better off here. And Cathol and Cat

Going: good to firm

2.15 (7) 1, HILLZAH (G Baxter, 33-1); 2,
Almanb (W Carson, 7-4 fav); 3, Copper
Plating (W R Swindum, 9-2), ALSO RAM:
5-2 Tenegrus, 10 Smart Blade (4/h), 12
Hellesport (5th), 20 Tevan Clamour, 25
Torel, 33 Ferce, Meshhor John (6th), 50
Baylord Prince, Derisbay, Seabee, Will He
O'r Wortt He, 14 ran. 2, 44, 1%l, %l, 31. P
Walsym at Lamboum, Tote: 228, 10; 24,80,
£1,50, £1,50. DF: £38,80. CSF: £87,85. 2.50 (1m 6l) 1, GAY GLRYT (S Cauthen, 10-1); 2, High Spirited (W Carson 2-1 fav); 3, Kino (R Cohrane, 7-1). ALSO RAN: 100-30 Silent Giri (thi), 11-2 Duggan (8th), 9 Longshoreman (5th), 14 Golden Dett. 7 ran. 2½1, 1½, sh hd, 7l, sh hd. N Graham at Newmariat. Toto: £12.50; £3.10, £1.70. DF: £17.00. CSF: £27.98.

Sandown Park

Going: good to firm

2.25 (7) 1. SHIMMERING SEA (S Cauthen, 6-4 fav); 2. Gloening Ardour (W R Swinburn, 9-2); 3. Cloche d'Or (R Cochrane, 9-2). ALSO RAN: 7 Agminyah (Sh), 8 Neroh, 14 Flight of Picasure (6th), 20 Flighty Guest, 50 Almass (4th), 8 ran. Nit, 1, 7l, hd. 8. Major W Hern at West Islay, Tots: 22.90; 21.10, 21.90, 21.60. DF: 27.70. CSF: 28.22.

4.0 (1m) 1, LIVE ACTION (L Dettori, 7-4);
2, Young Jazz (R Cochrane, evens fav); 3,
Trabeh (C Rutter, 33-1), ALSO RAN: 6
Singing Forever (4th), 20 Tin Hat (5th), 66
Dancing North (6th), Open Champion, 7
ran. Sh hd, 6; 2, 10, 9; L Curnsri at
Newmerket, Tote: 22.80; 21.50, 21.50. DF:
22.30, CSF: 23.62.

4.35 (St) 1, SILVER SINGING (A Cochrane, 7-4 fev. Private Handicapper's top resing); 2, Red Pippin (N Adams, 20-1); 3, Tinterbird (J Red, 5-2), ALSO RAN: 6 Factuelle (4th), 10 Pile, Musical Flash (5th), 16 Barbezieux, Tender Trail (5th), 50 Nazakat 9 ren. 41, 131, Ind, 21, 31, Il Balding at Kingsciere, Tote: £2.50; £1.30, £2.70, £1.60, DF: £34.50, CSF: £30.94, Tricast: £80.52

5.10 (im 2f) 1, PERSIAN LORD (Antoneme Armes, 9-2); 2, Bronze, Rusmer (B Thomes, 6-1); 3, Auction Menn (R Perham, 5-2 fav). ALSO RAN: 11-2 Petavious (5th), 7 Ok Corral (6th), 12 Dr Zava, 14 Al Shany, Sleepline Palace, Sporting Wednesday, Factotum, 16 Gard's Gold (4th), 25 Alhasric Peta, Hasty Thrift, 66 Taffy Jones, 14 ran, 14, 3, 14, 2, 11, H Candy at Warriago, Tota: 27-30; 22-10, 21, 90, 21, 70. DF: 219,40. CSF: 234,04. Tricast: 280.59.

Catterick Bridge Going: good to firm

using: good to irm
2.0 (1m 51 180yd) 1, CLASS ACT (G Parkin, 4-5 fav); 2, Reef Wind (N Kennedy, 2-1); 3, Sandford Springs (G McGrath, 11-2), ALSO RAN: 33 Glebelands Garl (4th); 50 Temper Temper (6th), Cegliari (5th), 6 ran. Hd, 1½, 15, disc, 1½1, J Hills at Lambourn. Tote: £1.80; £1.20, £1.60, DF: £1.40, GSP-£2.87.

4.15 (5f) 1, Go Tally-He (J Carroll, 4-6 fav); 2, Coton Blockom (33-1); 3, Green Glow (11-8), 3 ran. 4l, hd. J Benty. Tota: \$1.30. DF: £1.50. CSF: £5.53. After a stewards' enquiry the placings of Green Glow and Cotton Blossom were reversed.

Results from yesterday's afternoon meetings

Birch, 20-1); 3, High Plateau (T Culinn, 11-10 fay). ALSO RAN: 3 Harryar (4th), 15-2 William Cito, 25 Sosar's Hill (5th), 50 Philiope's Heir (6th), 7 ran, 81, 20, 101, 81, 30. M Stoute at Newmarket, Tota: 26-30; 21-30, 23,60. DF: 223,00. CSF: 257,31.

£1.90, £3.60. DF: £29.00. CSF: £57.31.
3.05 (7f) 1, EAST BARNS (1, Chemock, 9-1); 2, Seguni Two (R Hills, 11-2); 3, Reder Knight (W Ryan, 20-1). ALSO RAN: 5-2 far Domino Daring (Rin), 3 Wycliffs (Sth), 9-2 Mick's Choice (4th), 10 Perfect Proce, 15 Mindy, 33 Jonbel, 50 Jimmy Griffin, 10 ran. Nk, 1%1, hd, 2%1, 31. J Wainwright at Mation. Total: £1.200; £1.90, £1.80, £8.80. DF: £22.40. CSF: £55.23.

ET.80, EB.80. DF: EZZ.40, CSF: ESS.23.
3.35 (7) 1, COOL ENOUGH (D Holland, 3-1 | |-fav|; 2, Master Offibe House (W Ryan, 5-1); 3, Pirestream (N Kennedy, 10-1). ALSO RAN: 3 | I-fav Norfoldsev (6th), 8 Super One, Durmousin (4th), 14 Gott's Desire (5th), Tobermory Boy, Shinsel Water, 16 Hoesnee, 33 Mine's A Double, 50 Floating Note. 12 ran, %1, %1, 1%1, 1%1, 50; Livis, J. Remsden at Thirsk, Tota: \$4.80; £1.80, £2.30, £2.10. DF: £19.30. CSF; £19.01. Tricast: £129.44.

4.10 (8) 1, YMTAGE ONLY (M Birch, 2-1); 2, Smiling Sen (A Musico, 7-2); 3, Four-singh (R Hills, 10-1), ALSO RAN: 11-8 fav Shesiliotriewind (5th), 25 Kedys Kingdom (4th), 33 Kamart (8n), 6 ran. 4, 8, 15, 12, 3. M H Easterby at Great Hebron. Tota: 22.80; 21.50, 22.80. DF: 22.90. CSF: 25.90.

4.40 (im 71 180 yd) 1, NiCHOLAS MARK (N Connorton, Evens fav); 2, Surefect Siliara (D Holland, 11-2); 3, Windward Arlom (Paul Eddery, 5-1), ALSO RAN: 5 Joe Bumpas (5th), 12 Christian Soldier (4th), 14 Media Star (6th), 8 ran. 11/1, 71, 51, 61, 251, Fl Whitaker at Westectry, Tote: £2.30; £1.50, £3.10. DF: £6.80. CSF: £6.89.

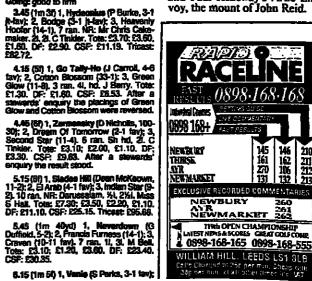
Hamilton Park

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Going: good to firm

4.45 (8) 1, Zermanetry (D Nicholis, 100-30); 2, Dream Of Ternorrow (2-1 fav); 3, Second Star (11-4). 6 ran. Sh hd. Zi. C Tinkler. Tota: £3.10; £2.00, £1.10. DF; £3.30. C\$P: £9.63. After a stewards' enquiry the result stood. 5.15 (8f) 1, Stades Hill (Deen McKeown, 11-2; 2, E) Arab (4-1 fav); 3, Indian Star (9-2), 10 ran, NR: Danusselan, %1, 2%1, Mass S Hat. Tota: £7.30; £3.50; £2.0, £1.10. DF: £11.10. CSF: £25.15. Tricast: £95.68.

5.45 (1m 40yd) 1. Nevendown (6 Duffield, 5-2); 2, Francis Furness (14-1); 3, Craven (10-11 fav), 7 ran. 11, 31, M Sell, Tota: £3.10; £1.20, £3.60. DF: £23.40. CSF: £30.85.



Indians revive half-forgotten virtues

By Alan Lee CRICKET CORRESPONDENT

THE glib compulsion to look down the nose at every Indian team that visits here remains uncured, no matter the deterrent of recent results, and on the evidence of their first international outing on Wednesday the present touring party is as mistakenly underrated as any of

Without suggesting anyone should over-react to the muddling form of cricket's sprint distance, there was enough encouragement in all areas of India's game to confirm the impression that their Test plan will be refreshingly based on some half-forgotten virtues, such as wristy elegant strokeplay and spin bowling actually designed to get people out.

Essex are on the brink of victory

By JACK BAILEY

COLCHESTER (second day of three): Essex, with all second-innings wickets in hand, need 43 runs 10 beat Derbyshire IN MID-afternoon you could

IN MID-afternoon you could walk round the boundary at Castle Park and swear that every other person thought they had died and gone to heaven. The delighted Essex faces were watching Mark Waugh make his fifth score of over 100 this season and they knew they would have to wait a long time before they saw a better. By the evening, the looks were even

more ecstatic.
For apart from Waugh's 126, from 151 balls, his partnership of 128 with Hussain in 21 overs and an Essex lead of 98 on the first innings, they were now watching Foster rip through Derbyshire's batting in the sustained and hostile piece of fast bowling which in an opening spell of ten overs brought him six wickets for 28 runs. Derbyshire held subsided to 24 for 7 shire had subsided to 84 for 7 and it was all over bar the shouting.

A match which has seemed

destined to go the full distance with the most likely result a draw, was suddenly turned upside down with a vengeance. As Barnett, Derbyshire's captain. wended his way back to the pavilion after he had been snapped up in the gully from the first ball of the innings that counted — the actual first ball had been a wide — he must have been reflecting on what might have been; reflecting on the prodigality of some of his bowling which had combined with Essex's excellent batting to bring about his team's unfavourable position.
But, by then, there was no

reason for Barnett to expect his team to collapse like a house of cards. It was unfortunate enough to have to remember how Hussain, yet to get get off the mark, was dropped from a before going on to hit a six and ten fours in his rapid 60; How Base, having trouble with his run to the extent of ten no-balls, had conceded 77 runs from nine overs in the morning as Waugh passed his 1,000 runs for the season en route to a 31/2 hour stay which yielded two sixes and

On the credit side, there was Bishop's bowling, rendered in-finitely menacing by his great speed on this wonderful cricket wicket. If only he had found the right line consistently. There was, too, the persistence of Miller in the face of periodic onslaughts. But Barnett should have bowled himself earlier. There was bounce here for the leg-spinner. as he discovered when he came on belatedly and picked up a couple of cheap

But there it was. Foster's hard hitting 32 was followed by a lively spell of deadly accuracy. Brown followed Barnett in his first over; and although Roberts struck out and Goldsmith flickered promisingly. Foster at one end and Andrew at the other were all too much for the rest.

It had always seemed probable that their weak suit would be the one area on which other countries are concentrating hardest, the quick bowling, and Wednesday's events at Headingley did nothing to dispel the view.

Kapil Dev, for so long the Hadlee of the Indian attack, only began to look dangerous in the frantic, end-of-innings slog when he picked up wickets by delib-erately slowing his pace to somewhere near that of the spinners. A clever tactic in its place, but not one that is likely to cut much ice amid the more circumspect batting of a Test match.

Prabhakar and Sharma, the support seam bowlers, follow the great tradition pursued by such as Abid. Ali and Madan Lal, honest Indian trundlers whose usual job was to

Trent Bridge teams

ENGLAND (from): G A Gooch (esptain); M A Atherton, D I Gower, A J Lamb, R A Smith, R C Russell, P A J DeFreitas, C C Lewis, E E Hermands, A R C Fraser, D E Malcolm, G C Small, J E Morns.

INDIA (from): M Azharuddin (captain); W V Raman, N S Sichu, S V Manyelex, S R Tendular, R J Shashi, Kaol Dev, K S More, M Prabhalar, S K Sharma, A Kumble, S L V Reju, D B Vengsankar, A Wasson.

b Vengsantar, A Wasson, Umpires: M J Kitchen and D R Shepherd. TELEVISION: BBC2 10.10am-1.20pm, 1.35-2.0pm, 2.05-7.30pm, Livs coverage (with golf from St Andrews), BBC2 12.15-1.0sam, Hightights, BSB 8.0-11.30pm, Highlights (with golf), WEATHER: Continuing dry, surny and hot. Windlight and variable, Mex 26 to 29C (79 to 84F).

see the shine off the ball before it was handed over to the spinners. India's win was based on the period, in the middle of England's innings, when Shastri, bowling genuinely slow left-arm, and

Kumble, bowling leg-breaks,

A two-day defeat threatened Evans, the nightwatchman,

resumed their first innings at

10 for one. When Pollard.

trying to cut, played a ball

from Bakker into his stumps.

however, it was the prelude to

a succession of failures.

Marshall followed by

dismissing Evans, his 700th wicket for Hampshire. It came

with the help of a brilliant, low catch at second slip by Terry.

By the time Nottinghamshire

were all out shortly after

lunch, nine wickets had fallen

England

to meet

Ireland

By CATHY HARRIS

ENGLAND and Ireland will contest the final of the second

women's European Cup, after both teams won their second

matches at the John Player AC,

Nottingham yesterday.

Jane Powell survived a close stumping call early on in her innings, to lead England to their formidable total, with an un-

In the other match. Stella

Owens was in great form for

Ireland, hitting an unbeaten 84,

SCORES: England, 270-5 (54 overs) (J. Powell 98 not out, D. Maybury 56); Denmark 84 (G. Smith 5-15). England won by 206 rars, Ireland, 198-4 (50 overs) (S. Ovens 84 not out, M. Grealey 42); The Netherlands 172-8 (50 overs) (N. Payne 47), Ireland won by 25 runs.

TODAY (11am start; 55 overs): England v Ireland (Ivanhoe CC, Leicester): The Netherlands v Denmark (Electricity Sports

beaten 98 against Denmark.

against the Netherlands.

in 30 overs.

Nottinghamshire when their settled in as Nottinghamshire

second innings began badly as

Hampshire's fast bowlers continued to bowl with spirit.

By tea, Nottinghamshire were 63 for four before the middle-

order batsmen summoned

long overdue determination.

The left-handed Mark Saxelby

stands, with Newell and

Stephenson, as he made his best championship score of

54, and ensured the game went

captain, was a record for any

Geoffrey Edmunds, the Shropshire left-arm spinner, re-

turned career-best match figures of 14 for 110. But the Welling-

ton pitch produced almost 1.000

runs and bore no resemblance to the one on which the Minor

Counties bowled out Leicester-shire for 56 in the Benson and

This week's matches pro-

duced a series of high scoring

draws with Graeme Morris and Paul Dutton achieving the

distinctions setting a third-wicket record for Northumber-

land of 212 against Staffordshire

stead captain, produced a star-tling performance with 137 for

Saffolk, who made 243 for nine against Norfolk after labouring

Worcs v Somerset

Second Innings

A N Hayturst, "CJ Tavare, R J Harden, tN D Burns, G D Rose, R P Lefebyre, I G Swallow, N A Mallender and A N Jones to

WORCESTERSHIRE: First Innings

TS Curds low b Mallander PBent c Rose b Jones

A Neale not out _____ Extras (b 7, lb 10, w 1) _____

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-3, 2-13, 3-152.

Total (3 wids dec, 84.4 overs) 300

C M Tolley, †S J Rhodes, R K Illingworth, P J Newport, S R Lampitt and N V Radford lid not bat.

BOWLING: Jones 8-3-17-1; Mallender 13-5-35-1; Rose 13-1-49-0; Letebyre 17-4-49-0; Swallow 23-5-84-1; Roebuck 5-1-20-0; Hayhurst 5.4-0-29-0.

ionus points: Worcestershire 4, Somer-

Umpres: A A Jones and D S Thompsett,

k not out

J Cook not out .

Extras (b 1)

Total (no wkt)

Simon Clements, the Hamp-

at Jesmond.

Hedges Cup eight years ago.

Shropshire wicket.

contain. They took wickets too, Gower falling for a ball from Kumble which turned so sharply that he first aimed to cut and then to pull before completing the adjustment by slipping the bat under his arm and departing.

The capacity crowd expected at Trent Bridge today, when both teams are likely to be unchanged for the second Texaco Trophy match, should look forward to Kumble as much as they do to the batting of Manjrekar and Tendulkar, the new generation that is hurrying India back toward the stability they briefly enjoyed under Kapil Dev.

Since then, a series of captains has come and gone, while the players' uneasy relationship with

Lean pickings: Jesty works the ball away during Lancashire's iunings at Coventry yesterday but is unable to avoid the outstretched arm of Ostler, of Warwickshire

ttinghamshire surrender to Marshall

season.

Hampshire's all-time wicker

taking aggregates are headed

by Shackleton, with 2,669

wickets at 18.23 each, and

nated by long-serving English

professionals. It is more rele-

vant to compare Marshall with Andy Roberts, his Anti-

guan predecessor with the

county, whom he succeeded in

inevitably the list is domi-

proved yet again that it does not their board touched rock-bottom less to intervene while the players need an array of cloned scamers to when the majority of senior men are out of contract, is rightly unsanctioned one-day games in North America.

That ban was subsequently lifted, following legal repre-sentations, but it is oddly relevant to recall it today, for England's best players are about to undertake a similarly spurious mission - and their board admits it can do nothing about it.

About a dozen England players, led by Graham Gooch, have evidently agreed to play two limited-overs games against West Indies in late September. The venues are those well known: cricketing cities, Toronto and New York, and just about everyone seems pretty put out about it. match. A capacity crowd of 13,000.

were suspended for taking part in concerned that they should risk injury during their one rest period of a relentless 14 months. Even the United States cricket authorities are said to be against the strictly private promotion.

But, as we were saying the other day, money dictates in this game. If the official authorities do not fill every available day with limitedovers games, some speculator will do the job for them.

As for the players, their moans about long tours and lack of rest are quietly shelved when a spot of pocket money is offered. • Spectators have been urged to

stay away from Trent Bridge today unless they have a ticket for the The England committee, power- is already guaranteed.

HUGH ROUTLEDGE

Somerset have to bow to the inevitable

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By JOHN WOODCOCK WORCESTER (second day of

three): Somerset, with all second-innings wickets in hand; are 164 runs ahead of Worcestershire THERE was an inevitability about the cricket at New Road yesterday, which meant that from the start of play we know nearly for certain, what the position would be arstumps.

Worcestershire duly declared behind, and by the close Somer-set, batting again, led by 164, getting on for half what they will need, before setting Wordstershire a target today.

shire a target today.

Any similarity between this game and the one being played on the same ground last year is coincidental, and the groundsman puts the difference down mostly to the balls. Certainly, neither form of the game is satisfactory, but there is no doubt which is the more combative in 1989, seldom a day massed at Worcester in day passed at Worcester it which fewer than 15 wickets fell In this game: only six have going

down so far.

Yesterday. Hick made his predictable century, though for the first 90 minutes that he was in anyone watching him bat for the first intic might well have wondered what all the rave notices had been caught at farst sip in the first over of Worrester. n the first over of Worcester shire's innings. Somerset having declared at their ovenight score, Hick managed only three score. ing strokes in the next 75 minutes.

Then, just as one was beginning to think that he will need to play better than this to walk into the England side, he began to time the ball. By lunch his hundred could be taken as read. He has an unusual style, almost all his strokes fooking alike. This comes from the fact that his bat is a pendulum, which starts at the horizontal and seldong-swings through more than 180. He stands astrough more than 180 seldon going right on to the back foot, as he may need to do against the West Indians next

Having been given a goingover by Wasim Akram at OldTrafford recently he had little
enough confidence yesterday,
waiting until he was 144 before
casting his helmet aside. This
added to the somewhat robotic
impresssion given by his batting, if I dare say such a thing
about someone so prolific. This,
incredibly, was his 48th hundred in only 249 instellass
immigs, and his fifth in six
seasons against Somerset had

On Wednesday, Somerset had reached 300 in the 95th over of their innings. Yesterday. Worcestershire got there in the 85th over of theirs, and at once declared. Hick had hif 29 fours. and one six, and not given a chance. Then it was back to Roebuck who by the finish had taken his aggregate in first-class cricket since he was last out, on July 3, to 433. This time last month he couldn't get a run.

Both West Indians average chance of beating Parks's ing a stroke, but he showed far just over four wickets for more determination now as he Marshall took three of the battled gamely for more than every match played for Hampobvious explanation for the there was no hint of the glut of batsmen's struggles. Marshall, swinging the ball shire, and in this respect they last four wickets, though John-two hours before batsmen's struggles. Marshall, swinging the ball shire, and in this respect they wickets to come. Pollard and freely, finished with four for hold their own with the counson, the top-scorer with 34, catch to mid-off. C---Fairbrother back to his best

COVENTRY (second day of three): Warwickshire, with eight second-innings wickets in hand, are 93 runs ahead of Lancashire

WHATEVER Neil Fairbrother may, or more pertinently, may not achieve for England this summer, he remains the consummate county cricketer. Yesterday, in making an un-beaten double hundred, he single-handedly saved Lancashire from a hiding. No one else made as many as 30.

When he commenced his innings on this, the most sultry of days, his county were 26 for three. In due course they were 116 for six, requiring a further 109 to avoid following on. Fairbrother simply played his natural game, attacking any-thing short or overpitched, or indeed on a length, ite did this to such good effect that his 203

with dogged double-century runs were scored from just 223

30, his best analysis this ty's other bowlers over the eluded him. Johnson clipped a

ears. Little went right for

Nottinghamshire as their first

innings subsided, with Robin-

son caught at first slip, while

Newell ran himself out in

spectacular fashion. He hit

hard against a ball from Ayling and a theoretical

chance was dropped at short

leg. Twice Newell started for a

run and stopped. When he

finally did go through for an

attempted single he had no

It was, of course, a different scenario from Test cricket.
Warwickshire's attack,
commendable though it was,
lacked Donald and had been well supported by exceptional fielding close to the wicket. Mendis mishooked the first ball of the day to be caught a sprinting Piper, and Ostiler held three lovely catches at third slip. The first, to dismiss Fitton, was wide to his left, the second, a low one, accounted for Jesty, and the third for Wasim Akram.

Yet Fairbrother mostly middled everything. If the square drive was his favourite shot, the pull and a clip which countered anything of yorker length, were just as enthralling. He reached his first century, made off 107 balls, by hooking Benjamin out of the ground. His previous shot had been an imperious lofted four over long-In two respects this was a finer

catch to short mid-on off

Maru. The spinner also-bowled Johnson with a bail

that turned in the rough as

Nottinghamshire again

simped when they followed

on. Johnson, therefore, had

the unusual experience of

being dismissed twice in the

afternoon session by the same

Connor earlier without offer-

Saxelby had been bowled by

innings than his meretricious 366 at the Oval in May. The pitch was not so bland and the comext was greatly different. This was no exercise in breaking records for the sake of it. His beimet stayed on and the runs kept flowing until Lancashire declared, 42 runs behind. Dropped just once, on 186 off Benjamin, Fairbrother struck 35 fours and two sixes on a ground which is not especially compact.
Ultimately, after Hegg and
Austin had gone to Benjamin
and Hunton before the followon was averted, it was Hughes who saw Fairbrother to his double century, achieving for himself the second-highest score

Spinner in to fill the breach GLOUCESTERSHIRE have

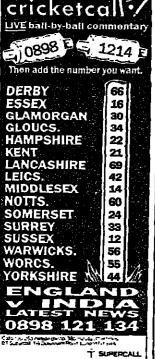
igned Paul Owen, aged 20, a left-arm spinner from Bedfordshire. David Graveney, the county's regular spin bowler who retires this season, is out for a month following an operation on a hand injury.

• The Cricket Society and London Community Cricket Association are to hold a joint fund-raising dinner in London on October 8. The speakers will be Trevor Bailey and Christopher Martin-Jenkins

MINOR COUNTES CHAMPORESSIP-Feaner's Heritoridative 232-3 dec and 162 (D G C Ligertwood 60, M G Steptenson 5-40); Cambridgeathire 198-6 dec and 134 (D Sundige 4-28). Heritoridative won by 82 runs. Weymentite: Donast 212-8 dec (G D Reynolds 69 A Williams 59) and 20-0; Witshire 187 (R Pyman 4-28). Darnington: Staffordshire 253-4 dec (S J Dan 100 not out, D Cartisage 78) and 243-5 (Dean 71 P J Kippez 4-19); Durham 255-5 dec (A S Patel 81, P Burn 69). Match drawn.

tram...
INTERNATIONAL MATCH: Scotland 210-..
S(B M W Patterson 70, HE Pritip 45; NCAEngland (R Leiper 40; O Herry 4-19)...
Scotland won by 65 runs.

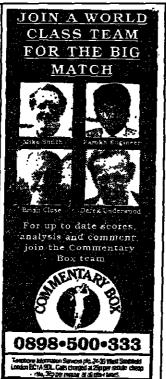
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-1, 2-1, 3-28, 4-34, 5-54, 6-68, 7-84, 8-94, 9-132.
BOWLING: Foster 15-2-49-6; Andrew 9-2-49-2; Princips 8-1-31-0; Chikis 7-4-7-1; Such 2-0-7-1.





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By RICHARD STREETON

PORTSMOUTH (second day

of three): Nottinghamshire,

with four second-innings wick-

ets in hand, need 14 runs to

avoid an innings defeat by

LITTLE resolution was

shown by the Nottingham-

they were dismissed for 110

and followed on 191 runs

behind. Fifteen wickets fell

during the day on a pitch

worn in places, provided no

JOHN Foster, the Shropshire captain and opening batsman, is a much relieved man after

scoring his first hundred in the

minor counties championship

since sustaining a serious head

ear by a ball from David Hale, the Oxfordshire fast bowler,

suffered bruising of the brain and was ordered to rest for the

After playing an innings of 123 not out in an eventful draw

with Buckinghamshire at Wellington this week, Foster

said: "I am happy now. It was

worrying but the injury is not causing me any problems."

Foster's unbroken partner-ship of 230 with John Abra-

hams, the former Lancashire

remainder of the season.

Foster, struck behind the left

iniury a year ago.

shire batsmen vesterday when shared two half-century

which, though dry, dusty and into its final day.
worn in places, provided no For the first 40 minutes

Foster removes all

his fitness doubts

MINOR COUNTIES CRICKET by MICHAEL AUSTIN

Hampshire

Northants v Kent NORTHAMPTON (second day of three): Kent, with all second-unings wickets in hand, need 141 runs to avoid an innings hand, need 141 runs to avoid an immigs defeat against Northamptonshire. First Innings 445 for 8 dec (R J Bailey 138 not out. R G Williams 95, N A Felton 90, D J Capel 85. Bowling: De Villiers 20-2-78-2; toglesden 14-2-41-2; Eltison 21-1-85-3; C S Cowdrey 9-0-39-0; Davis 24-4-109-0; Patel 22-4-81-KENT: First Innings
S G Hinks c Capel b Ambrose
M R Benson c Ripley b Ambrose
M R Benson c Ripley b Ambrose
G R Cowdrey c Larkins b Ambrose
C S Cowdrey c Fordham b Ambrose
T S A Marsh c Felton b Brown
R M Ellison c Ripley b Robinson
R P Dawis c Capel b Balley
S A Williams c and b Williams

M M Patel not out A P Igglesden b Ambrose Extras (to 2, w 1, nb 7) WORCESTER (second day of three): Somerset with all second innings wickers in hand, are 164 runs ahead of worcestershire
SOMERSET: First Interigs 398 for 3 dec (P
M Roebuck 201 not out. A N Hayhurst 119.
C J Tavaré 54. Bowling: Newport 19-1-701; Tobey 24-4-94-1; Ractiord 19-0-78-0;
Lampix 16-2-70-0; Illingworth 30-8-72-0;
Hick 3-0-12-0). 49, 5-94, 5-143, 1-245, 0-240, 5-24, 5-34, Second Innings

Total (no wkt) _______21
M R Benson, N R Taylor, G R Cowdrey, *C
S Cowdrey, †S A Marsh, R M Elison, P S
download, *S A Marsh, B M Elison, P S
download, *M Patel and A P loglesden to
bat.

Middlesex v Yorks UXBRIDGE (second day of three): York-shire, with rare second-innings wickets in hand, need 139 runs to good an artings deleat against Middlesex YORKSHIRE: Pirst Innings 243 (D Byas 83, P Carnek 52; J E Emburey 4 for 51). Second Innergs "M D Maxon not out

Total (1 wkt) 59
PE Robinson, D Byas, C White, P Carrok, C S Pickles, P J Hartley, D Gough and S D FIGURE TO DUT. FALL OF WICKET: 1-20.

MIDDLESEC First Innings

1. Haynes c Robinson b Harriey 18

1. Haynes c Robinson b Harriey 36

M W Gatting c Carriek b Fatcher 86

M W R Hamprakash c Chapman b Harriey 9 16 Ramprakash c Chapman D Martey y
R Brown not out 103
È Emburey st Blakey b Carrick 45
F Williams b Pickles 2
C R Tufnell c White b Carrick 10
P Hughes st Blakey b Carrick 4
G Cowans c Pickles b Carrick 2
Extras (b 7, nb 10) 17

wickets in hand, are 56 turns amount and actions in hand, are 56 turns amount and action of the first innings 339 for 7 dec (P A Smith 82, D A Rede 78).

Second innings.

A J Moles not out 24

T A Lloyd b Wastm Akram 8

Asri Din 10w b Wastm Akram 1

T M Moody not out 6

Extras (b 4, b 2, nb 6) 12 Schreigt 10: Overs. 31-10: 5 FALL OF WICKETS: 1-30, 2-104, 3-125, 4-180, 5-266, 6-291, 7-290, 8-318, 9-338. BOWLING: Hartley 30-3-78-2: Fletcher 17-7-29-1: Gough 13-5-40-1: Cerrick 31-4-99-5: White 12-1-59-0: Pickles 10-3-30-1. us points: Middlesex 8. Yorkshire 5.

Surrey v Sussex GUILDFORD (second day of three Surrey lead Sussex by 42 runs SURREY: First Innings

icar Youris not out Extras (b 2, lb 9, w 1)

Totalore at 100 overs: 250 for 4 FALL OF WICKETS: 1-2, 2-67, 3-152, 4-228, 5-293, 8-296, 7-314, 8-340, 9-345. BOWLING: Pigott 22.3-0-68-2: Dodernaide 27-2-84-4; C M Wells 22-10-47-1: Donelan 21-7-42-0; Salisbury 26-4-84-2; Lenham 2-0-9-0.

84-2; Lenham 2-0-9-0;
SUSSEX: First lennings
N J Lenhall or Jun out 46
JW Hall or and b Mediscott 16
-P W G Parker b Yourks 11
A P Wells c Kendrick b Mediscott 10
M P Spelght or Greig b Yourks 108
C M Wells c Ward b Yourks 108
C M Wells c Ward b Yourks 24
A C S Ploot or Feitham 24
A C S Ploot or Feitham b Mediscott 27
B T P Domelan nor out 11
Eutras th 19, th 9 w 7 mh 91 27 ras (b 19, ib 9, w 1, nb 3)

Total [90.1 overs) 313
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-54, 2-76, 3-76, 4-80, 5-80, 6-111, 7-193, 8-263, 9-290.
BOWLING: Wagar Younis 21-4-55-3; M P.
Biclines 18-5-32-0; Falthern 17-5-44-1; Mediyeoti 27-1-3-121-5; Kenddick 8-2-23-Bonus points: Surrey 7; Sussex 5. Umpires: B J Meyer and K E Palmer.

Warwicks v Lancs COVENTRY (second day of three): Warneckshire, with eight second-imings wickets in hand, are 58 runs alread of

YESTERDAY'S BRITANNIC ASSURANCE CHAMPIONSHIP SCOREBOARDS D P Ostler, D A Reeve, P A Smith, †K J Piper, J E Benjamin, A R K Pierson and T A Munton to bat. A Munton to bet. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-29, 2-31, LANCASHIRE: First Innings G D Mendis c Priper b Munton

G Fowler c Piper b Munton
J D Fitton c Ostler b Benjamin ...
T E Jesty c Ostler b Benjamin ...
N H Fairbrother not out N H Fathrother not out
M Watkinson Ibw b Smith
Wasin Akram c Ostler b Smith
W K Hegg c Pierson b Benjamin
I D Austin Ibw b Munton
"D P Hughes not out
Edras (b. 12. tb 5, w. 3, nb 9) Total (8 wids dec. 88.3 overs) 332 P J W Allott did not bal.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-7, 2-12, 3-26, 4-49, 5-107, 6-116, 7-181, 8-203. 5-107, 0-116, 7-101, 8-203. 80WLING: Munton 22-7-75-3; Benjamin 21-4-97-3; Pierson 24-8-70-0; Smith 10-2-37-2; Moody 5-0-25-0; Agil Din 4-3-2-11-0. Boms points: Warwickshire 7, Lan-casher 7. Umpires: R A White and R Palmer,

Hampshire v Notts PORTSMOUTH (second day of three): Nothinghamshire, with four second-in-nings wickets in hand, need 15 runs to avoid an innings defeat against Hampshire
HAMPSHIRE: First innings 301 for 9 dec (C.L. Smith 85, M.C.J. Nicholas 70, J.R. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE: First Immigs

M Saxetby & Connor F D Stephenson law b Marshall B N Franch law b Marshall E Cooper b Marshall A Afford not out Extras (b 4, lb 2, w 1)

B C Broad c Parks b Cornor
P Poliand c Woods b Manu
M Newell c Parks b Marshall
'R T Robinson c Marshall b Ayling
P Johnson b Manu
M Saxelby c Smith b Baider
F D Stephenson and com

K P Evans, K E Cooper and J A Afford to FALL OF WICKETS: 1-27, 2-43, 3-54, 4-63, 5-118, 6-178. Umpires: J C Balderstone and D J Essex v Derbyshire COLCHESTER (second day of three): Easex, with all second-innings wickets in hand, need 43 runs to best Derbyshire

of the innings.

G J Adems tow b Foster
S C Goldenwith tow b Foster
S C Goldenwith tow b Foster
I'M Kritiden b Childs
II Bishop c Such b Poster
A E Warner (by b Andrew ...
A Bishop c Such
Extras (b 2, w 4, nb 2)

Such 2-0-7-1,

ESSEX: First Innings

B R Hardie c Brown b Warner

J P Stephenson c Krikken b Bishop

N Shahid c Krikken b Bishop

M E Waugh c Krikken b Bishop

M A Gamhan c Krikken b Bishop

D R Pringle b Maler

D R Pringle b Maler

J H Child c Bese b Barnett

J H Child c Bese b Barnett

S J W Andrew C Roberts b Miller

P M Such not out Extras (0 9, w 8, nb 17)

Total (no wkt)

Bonus points: Essex 8, Derbyshire 7.



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Winner of mountain stage springs a surprise on plains

From John Wilcockson in bordeaux

seconds when the front 19

turned left on to the Quai

finish in the northern suburb

It was at this moment, after

a series of rapid attacks, that

Bugno went clear. He was

closely followed by one of

Bugno's Italian team-mates,

Roberto Gusmeroli. They

An aggressive LeMond was

NOTHING is predictable in this year's Tour de France, clearly hoping to overcome With the race back on the the five-second deficit that plains, yesterday's eighteenth separates him from Chiapstage should have been a longawaited battle between the eyes on Delgado's third place. sprinters such as Adriano The result was a superb pur-Bassi and Olaf Ludwig. In- suit between the stars at the stead, Gianni Bugno, the 26-front, and Delgado and his year-old Italian, who won the team, behind. The gap betoughest mountain stage in the tween the two groups was 25 Alps nine days ago, won his seconds with 10 miles to go. second success - this time in and had increased to 30 the flattest stage of the race.

Bugno's opportunity came when a split occurred in the Brienne, alongside the river 150-strong pack, 12 miles Garonne, six miles from the 150-strong pack, 12 miles from Bordeaux. Moving at over 30 miles per hour, the 19 of Bordeaux le Lac. riders in front included four of the top six men on overall classification: race leader Claudio Chiappucci, Greg LeMond (second). Erik Breu- chased by Breukink, who was kink (fourth) and Bugno (sixth). The principal absence was Pedro Delgado, who started the day in third place, would stay away to the finish, only seven seconds ahead of where Bugno scored an easy

TOUR DE FRANCE RESULTS

sprint victory.

19sec; S. A Baffi (II); S. J Musseeuw (Bel), 7: D Abdoulpaerry (ISSR): B. O Luzeng (EG); 9. A van der Poel (Neith); 10. M Schalkers (Neith); 11. S Lishok (Den), 12. J Schur (EG); 13. P Anderson (Aus); 14. J-C Colotti (Fr); 15. J Rodriguez (So); 16. J Rosado (So); 17. R Dhaeners (Bel), 18. P Lino (Fr); 19. G Bontempi (II); 20. 9 Ketly (Erre), all same time. British and other high placing; 33. S Yates (GB), 49. S Roche (Eire), both same time.

4. P Delgado (Sp). 3:42: 5, M Lajarreta (Sp), 5:29: 6, G Bugno (rt), 7:29: 7, E Chozas (Sp), 7:49: 8, C Chouselon (Bell, 8:40: 9, A Hampsten (US), 2:34: 10, F Parra (Coll, 11:30: 11, R Alcate (Mea), 11.48: 12, M Indurain (Sp), 13:09: 13, F Prepot (F1), 13:33: 14, G Delion (F1), 14:58: 15, P Riuz Cabestary (Sp), 16:24: 16, W Palacco (Col), 17:03: 17, T Claveyrolat (F1), 17:26: 18, J Bruyneel (Bel), 17:35: 19, R Com (rt), 18:12: 20, E Boyer (F1), 18:46, British and Irish placings: 29, Keily (Ere), 32:06: 45, S Roche (Eire), 55:48; 122, S Yates (GB), 1.58:44.

Meanwhile, Chiappucci was following LeMond everywhere in the group behind, and they were caught by Delgado's pack, three miles from the line. The three leaders were by then 25 seconds ahead, and safe from being caught.

The eventual 18 seconds gained by Breukink pushed him ahead of Delgado into third place on overall time. which is an important psychological advantage going into the critical individual time trial near Limoges. At least, the time trial

should decide the final outcome of this exciting Tour. LeMond has been preparing a new bicycle to tackle the 28.5mile time trial course that encircles the Lac de Vassivière. "It's a cross between a low-profile time trial bike and a normal road bike," LeMond said. "I know the course, as I won a stage there in 1985. It's all up and down and constantly turning. The new bike will have normal wheels, but the stem will be lower because I'd like a lower position for the clip-on triathlete bars."

LeMond is confident of beating Chiappucci in the time trial to clinch his third Tour de France victory. But in a race as unpredictable as this one, there could even be some surprises on today's hilly road

Waiting tactics cause delay

By Peter Bryan

ionships came to a halt for the second day, when sprinters deided on standstill tactics in the

first heat of their semi-final, Paulo Botti, of Italy, drawn against Pavel Buran, of Czechoslovakia, was in the inside lane and required to lead for the first lap. The Italian, eager to get the rear position, stood still as soon as the first of the two-lap race was completed. Buran did not ise to the bait and take the lead, but stood still alongside his

They rocked backwards and forwards, although failing to move more than the regulation 20cm. A quarter of an hour, then half an hour passed, with the pair virtually motionless.

After 40 minutes of inaction, and the scheduled programme wrecked, spectators began to slow handclap the pair and seconds expired, officials get into formation when they final

THE world junior track champ- stopped the farce and ordered a new start. Their action had little effect

because when the pair restarted, they again introduced the stand-still "war of nerves", but were allowed only five minutes before they were again ordered back to the line. They eventually had four starts, but in the last one they made a straight race of it, with Buran winning easily, the 20min after their original

The meeting had been de-layed from the beginning of the programme with the first event, the womens 30-kilometre points race final. It was just as well that the start was delayed, because in the sixth lap of the race, four riders crashed and one, Carina Hausen, of Denmark, was taken to hospital with a suspected

The 30 competitors had

Schools Aggregate trophy for the best total for their senior and junior teams and the two

schools combat shooting

were called off. Officials, mindful of the training crash last week which resulted in the death of Arvid Geldsetzer, of Canada, discovered that no ambulance was available at the trackside and called off the race until a unit arrived. Half an hour later, satisfied

that adequate medical backup was to hand, riders were called back to the track, but then told the championship distance had been halved to 15km.

The race developed into a tussle between Ina-Yoko Teutenberg, of West Germany, and Jessica Grieco, of United States, and was won by the former, scoring double points in the last sprint.
Sally Dawes, of Britain, a

strong rider rather than a sprinter, finished ninth and Jackie Coughlan, aged 15, was thirteenth. Mark Armstrong qualified for the men's points

ROWING

A record

entry

attracted

By MIKE ROSEWELL ROWING CORRESPONDENT

THE Nottingham County light-

ley but disappointed with silver medals at Lucerne last week, appear in front of their home

crowd at the national champ-ionships at Holme Pierrepont, which start today. Rodney Beer,

the chairman of the organising committee, faces a formidable challenge in his first year in office. A total of 653 crews —

more than 2,000 competitors — will be contesting the 64 events

being held.
The entry is 20 per cent above

the 1988 record, and can be partly explained by a new race

programme which makes dou-bling up easier. The Nottingham

eight is aiming to win both the lightweight and heavyweight

GREG Norman's round yes-terday was a creation of light and shade, of the workmanlike

mists at St Andrews yesterday morning to prepare the way for the creat figures of world golf to do battle with the Old Course (Mel Webb

On each day of the Championship the place is a hive of industry hours before the first spectator arrives and the first ball is struck. The greens have their final cut, other last-minute work is

done on the course, and, most importantly, the pin positions are decided and the holes cut.

The man in charge of the hole-cutting operation is Alan Turner, a member of the R & A, who has been deciding where the pins should be for every Open since 1984.

and the sublime. It was a round painted mostly with a broad brush, with the occasional splash of vivid colour that spoke

eloquently of a talent close to

Too often in recent years

Norman's hunger for more ma-

jor championships to add to the solitary one he has against his name, the 1986 Open at Turnberry, has been denied by a

combination of the good luck of

others and his own quixotic inclination to go in with all guns

blazing when all it needed was a single ounce of patience.

He still cannot legislate for the slings and arrows of outrageous

fortune that might yet strike him down, but his round of 66

vesterday was the best start he has had to an Open

In the context of this champ-

ionship, all 66 strokes may yet

after the rest have been

SANDY Lyle, who has no plans to win the Open again this year, nevertheless had five birdies in his opening round yesterday. Unfortunately, he also had five

bogeys and was even fretting about missing the 36-hole cut, something he has not done in an

Open since 1978.

Lyle is not at his most upbeat

at the moment but, in fact, his 72 owed a lot to a trio of three

putts, at the first, sixth and 16th,

and was not as had an effort as

the splurge of low scoring from

other, more confident men, made it look,

made it look.

Jolande, Lyle's Dutch-born wife, followed him anxiously, but was philosphical about the whole exercise, saying: "Whatever happens this week is not important in itself, it's for what happens in future. We're not

happens in future. We're not putting everything on one tour-

nament because Sandy'll get depressed if he doesn't do well. I

caddled for him in Japan the week after the US Open and he finished seventh and all I tried

to do was keep talking to him

writes).



the green in two, down a steep borrow if and when the ball

reached the green. It was the sort of shot that reduces mere mortals to clammy hands and recurring nightmares. But this was a man with a mission, and, with a stroke of exquisite delicacy, he coaxed the ball up the bank, watched it swing two feet or more and came to a halt no more than 12 inches from the pin. A birdie was a formality, and the adrenalin almost visibly started surging through his

prove to be vital, but of them all, two will stick in the mind long He went to three under with a 15-foot putt at the 10th, and picked up another when he The first came at the 564-yard 5th hole. Norman had already birdied the 1st, and was in a almost drove the green on the 12th, a par four of 316 yards.

Back to the future for Lyle

By PATRICIA DAVIES

and smiling at him. That's what

I told Dave Musgrove [Lyle's regular caddie] when he asked

me, because sometimes I think they're inclined to get down

together."

They kept misery at bay yesterday and for a man who admitted he was in the middle

of "trying to iron out the kinks

for the next 15 years", both in

the way he swings the club (David Leadbetter's depart-ment) and in the way he thinks

(the province of Noel Blundell,

an Australian sports psycholo-gist who advises Rodger Davisi, Lyle coped well with what he considered were some bad breaks. He felt he had poor lies off good shots at the sixth and

13th, where he dropped strokes. He was also a little unlucky at

the 11th and the 10th. At the former he was trying to hit a smooth six-iron to a fearsome pin position directly behind the

Strath bunker and failed, marginally, to hit it as he

wanted. It could have been an expensive margin, for his ball

round. It may, when the last putt has been struck and the final replay rolled, be the shot of the championship.

Norman had not missed a

"It's a comparatively easy job at St Andrews,"

Turner, a former member of the Championship committee, said. "If you're sticking to the traditional areas, which there are here, you have

certain places pretty well decided for you.
"On any particular day, we consult the weather forecast, take a look at where the wind is coming

from, and the rest is plain sailing, really," he

"For example, on the first hole, you obviously want to put the burn into play — it's the focal point of the hole. If the wind is easterly, which makes the hole play downwind, you wouldn't put the hole

quite so near the burn as you might if it were

Up with the lark for the vital finishing touches

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fairway all day, but on the 14th, he did. The ball was nestling on a downslope of a bunker short and to the left of the green. To get the ball close. Norman had to manoeuvre the ball over a deep swale, over a hillock and persuade it to come to a halt on 40 yards or more.

For a start, he had to take a grotesque stance with legs splayed and one foot out of the back edge of the bunker. It looked almost impossible. The huge crowd grew silent, breaths were held. Norman got himself as comfortable as he could, waggled his sand-wedge a couple of times and struck down steeply on the ball, which leapt from its sandy snare, skipped on the crown of the hill and rolled gently on to within two feet. The long intake of breath could, at last, be released, and with it came a great cheer.

ronounced downslope from

A 15-foot putt for a final birdie on the 18th was all that was left before the drama was played out. It was a day when

Sublime Norman states his Ballesteros's jury claim with a mark of genius reserves judgment THE dedicated Ballesteros-

television cameras.

plans of each green.

watcher had dropped his voice to a conspiratorial whisper the night before, as though he might be thought guilty of sacrilege. "I think Seve may be over the top," he said. After the Spaniard's round vesterday, the jury might still be out.

A score of 71, of course, leaves him well in the running, but as the Old Course, with its de-fences down, yielded a bewilder-ing array of birdies and eagles, it was bound to leave him someway off the lead. He himself forecast afterwards that if the wind did not get up, there would

be a lot of low scores.

Ballesteros was playing with
Nick Price, who almost matched
him shot for breathtaking shot at Lytham two years ago, and Tom Watson, who has also contributed so much to the history of the Open. It was the cruelly demanding

17th which caught out Balles-teros. Until then, as he said afterwards. he had played "nicely". He was conspicuously left of the others off the tee throughout. but that is his strategy for playing the Old Course, where to fade is to fail. Their match started sedately, ith fours at the first two holes, which had already yielded ten

birdies among the 21 players ahead. Price came closest with a brave second to the 1st. The pin was placed only just over the Swilcan Burn, but the South African went boldly for the flag and narrowly missed from ten

The Old Lady of St Andrews were unusual attire, in all her greenery playing little like a links. The players could safely throw the ball onto the greens without resort to the bump and the safe with little wind to run, and, with little wind to come to her aid, she was vulnerable to determined at-

by Walter Woods, the head greenkeeper, and

another member of the green staff, who does the vital job of painting the inside of the holes so that

they are visible to players, spectators and the

The job from first to last take just over 90

minutes, and the men are pursued down the

fairways by three official representatives of the

caddies, who mark the positions of the holes on

Work started yesterday morning at just after 4.30 am, and by just after six the pin positions were

being duplicated ready for distribution to the first

players to leave the first tee at 7.15.

Watson and Price were the first to strike, with putts from 12 feet and 18 feet respectively at the 3rd. Price gave the stroke back when he missed the green at the 4th, whereupon Ballesteros fashioned a brilliant birdie at the 564-yard 5th.

From a fine tee shot, he hit a majestic three-wood just short majestic three-wood just short of the green, where the other two were laying up, and then played an exquisite chip from a dell which failed only microscopically to become an eagle.

Ballesteros flopped a sand wedge beside the 7th, and so weekeld the true in 24 times.

reached the turn in 34, two under par. Meanwhile, Watson had dropped a shot and he, like Price, was two behind. Somehow the match failed to catch

Ballesteros was one shot ahead when they came to the 17th, the imfamous Road Hole, turning a golf event upside

He got a bad lie in the rough took two more to reach the green after a free drop, and then missed his second putt. A birdie at the last at least brought him off with a smile, as it did Price, but Waison, sadly, took five.

FIND OUT

WHO'S LEADING

RIFLE SHOOTING

Shield and trophy double for Epsom

EPSOM College, which has been producing international rifle shooters for many years, won the Ashburton Shield in the schools rifle championship at Bisley yesterday four points in front of Oundle School.

Although Epsom had an impressive record for both its students and old boys in the general run of target rifle shootng, with frequent representation in the Great Britatin cadet teams, they have only once won the Ashburton before, in 1973. After the first section, at 300

yards, they were level with Charterhouse and Greshams, but coped better with a tricky wind at 500 yards as the other two dropped back. Oundle fin-ished four points behind them and Mariborough a further three back for third place.

RESULTS: Ashburton Shield (schools chemplonshig): 1. Epsom. 511.31; 2. Oundle, 507.27; 3. Mariborough, 504.35; 4. Bradfield, 500.33; 5. Chariberhouse, 500.31; 6. Glasgow Academy, 488.32. Kinder Cup (300 yards); 1. Epsom. 259; 2. Mariborough, 257. London Scottish Cup: 1, Glasgow Academy, 498; 2. Kelwaside, 485. Public Schools Aggregats: Epsom. 1.084. Spencer Mediter Tankard: 1. B. Harvey (Bradfield), 49; 2. C. Vigos (Winchester), 46. Schools Staff Cup: EWBowski (Blodham), 68. Mariborough Trophy (Snap): 1. T. Erskine (Epsom), 50/43. London Soottish Vase (Teams): 1. Merchiston, 329; 2. Kelwinsde, 327; 3. Doltar Academy, 321. Maring Cup (Snap): 1. Epsom. 256; 2. Charterhouse, 244; 3. Rugby, 241.

shared in the puissance

By a CORRESPONDENT

MICHAEL Whitaker, on Hen-

Whitaker, who jumped the same heights with Didi to share the honours in 1988, moved the obstacle's coping but it did not fall. Nick Skelton on the versatile Apollo and Harvey Smith, on Brook Street Gold, shared third place.

British riders in the Bord Bainne Speed Challenge, in which he outpaced John Whitaker on Henderson Grannusch and Joe Turi on Waysider to record Ireland's second outright success at the show.

Aga Khan Trophy will be: Nick Skelton (Phoenix Park), Peter Charles (Domino), Michael Whitaker (Henderson My Mesicur) and David Broome

RESULTS: EEC Pulssance: equal 1, Henderson Tees Harauer (M Whitaker, GE) and Fortfald (H Marstall, Ire); equal 3, Apollo (N Skelton, GE) and Brook Street Gold (H Smith, GB). Bord Baltan Speed Challenger 1, Fraulein (H Marshall, Ire), 0 taufts, 61, 15sec; 2, Henderson Grarmisch (J Whutaker, GB), 0, 61,42; 3, Waysider (J Turn, GB), 0, 64,58, National Shutush Supreme Hunter Champional Bhutush Supreme Hunter Champional Bhutush Supreme Hunter Champional Minstrel.

Hildon make the most of one-goal advantage

By JOHN WATSON

THE British Open champ-ionship finalists for the premier prize in this country, the Davidost Gold Cup, were conirmed at Ambersham, Sussex, yesterday when Norman Lobel's team, Hildon, defeated Peter Scott's Pendell 9-8 over six chukkas. Hildon will take on Cowdray Park in the deciding contest on the Lawns ground on

Sunday.

Hildon and Pendell had merged as the leaders, respeclively, of leagues three and one. Pendell's Argentine No. 3. Heguy, was awarded his ten-handicap after the tournament entries were declared. That made his team's aggregate 23, one over the limit for these championships, so Hildon, a 22goal team, started one ahead.

Galvan, Pendell's lightningquick Colombian No. 2, and perhaps the most difficult man on the ground to intercept. equalised in the opening minutes of the first chukka, and during the first half, which ended 3-3, it looked as though his side had the edge.

However. Pendell always seemed the weaker of the two sides in defence, too often allowing the Hildon forwards to herak through unmarked. Part certainty as to the best line-up. in particular whether Elliott should play Back or One. In the fifth chukka, Hildon were leading 7-5 when Heguy scored. A minute later a Pendell defender hit the ball over his

spearheaded by Llorente and Amoore, proved decisive. Llorente found the Pendell target twice more, and although Heguy reduced the deficit with a 60-yard penalty conversion a minute before the end, Pendell ran out of time.

• The second semi-final of the

Jack Gonnon Trophy resulted in a 12-10 win for Rio Pardo against Sladmore (received two). The final, between Ellerston White and Rio Pardo, takes place tomorrow on the River ground, followed by the final of the Tatham Cup between Tranontana and Sladmore. The contest for the Davidoff Trophy, between Pendell and Di-amond D, will follow the Gold Cup final on Sunday.

IN BRIEF

Rose sent to prison

PETE Rose, one of the all-time greats of baseball, was sentenced yesterday in Cincinnati to five months in prison and fined \$50,000 (about £28,000) for income tax evasion in 1985 and 1987. His conviction probably ruined his chances of being elected to the Hall of Fame. The most prolific batter in history, with 4,256 hits, could have been sentenced to six years in prison and fined \$500.000.

Cup races next month.

David Wright, aged 25, a scrum half from Pontypool, has joined the English rugby union club, Leicester. Wright scored 150 points during his first season with the Welsh club.

New formulas Britain will have two new

team owner. Eddie Jordan.

was slightly plugged and Lyle had to play out sideways and then got up and down with a delicate chip and putt.

"A good bogey." was how Jolande described it, and she was right. Bobby Jones and Gene Sarazen are only two of the names to have come to grief at the second of the Old course's two par threes.

At the 16th, he had 115 yards to the pin and hammered his wedge 132 yards, over the green. taking three more to get down. to go back to one over par. Not a good move, with the 17th to come. However, Lyle played the hole immaculately, hitting a five-iron pin high, to the genu-ine delight of the crowd, who had been willing the man to do well. He missed the putt but crunched his drive 310 yards down the 18th and rolled in the tricky 10 foot birdie putt.

It might only have been the first round but, in the circumstances, it was a champion

Robinson the inspiration for Cheshire

SARA Robinson, aged 21, was the inspiration of Cheshire's narrow victory in the English women's county finals at East Devon Golf Club. Budleigh Salterion, yesterday (Bob Rod-ney writes). Robinson, the English strokeplay champion, shot four birdies — three in succession —

birdies – three in succession – and an cagle. Her opponent, Chris Quinn, of Hampshire, put up strong resistance, but the match ended on the 16th green with Robinson four under par.
It was as well for the cham-Needing only two points from the six singles after taking all three of the morning foursomes, the rest of the team found it hard

YACHTING

Deceptive winds make it easy for Juni II

PORTO Cervo. Sardinia - The PORTO Cervo. Sardinia — The Mediterranean was at its most capricious yesterday when the Rolex Swan world championship resumed off Porto Cervo with a testing 27-mile race around the islands (Barry Pickthall writes). As the 68 yachts headed out from the bedset was the control of the property of the prop harbour most crews were rub-bing their hands at the prospect of their first heavy weather race of the series.

It was not to be. Shortly

before the start, the breeze dropped from 25 to 15 knots and then continued to fade as the race progressed to provide Carl Zwerenz's Swan 651 Juni II, with an easy victory.

II., WILD 2D 225 YETOTY.

RESULTS: Third rece: 1, Juni B (Carl
Zwerenz, Austria); 2, Mr Builtrog (M
Allerta, US); 3, Eurosia (M Palaschier, II);
4. Gibian, (A Grand), Iti; 5. Taipen of Wales
(S Thomas, GB), Gene British placings: 7.
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Eurosia; 2, Chacaboo; 3, Palsar III (G
Crond Crusen) III; 4. Gibion; 5. Grackerj Capri Cruciani, it); 4, Gibion; 5, Cracker-jack X.

Morgan Grenfell, the mer-chant bank which employs Tol-

kien, aged 35, will provide his operating budget for the race.

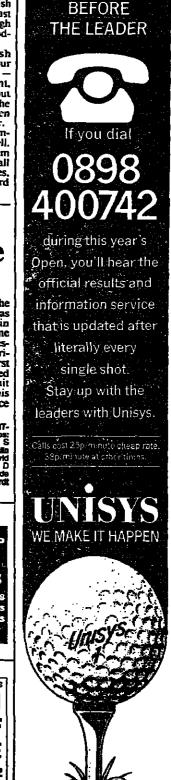
KIEL — DENNIS Conner. the
winner of three America's Cups, makes a rare appearance on the international match-race grand prix circuit by competing this weekend in the Baltic Cup at Kiel (Malcolm McKeag writes). Virtually alone among Ameri-ca's Cup skippers, Conner has

circuit, not least because he has match racing since he became the first man to win the Congressional Cup twice and in Ameri ca's Cup sailing since his first win in 1980. Conner has viewed exposing himself on the circuit merely as a chance for his potential opponents to practice against him. O LARMOR PLAGE L'ORIENT, BRIT-

TANY: European Lissar championships: Fourth race: 1, M Hesthaek (Dan); 2, S Rich (GB); 3, G Kaily (GB); 4, S Warkalia (WG); 5, T Powell (GB); 6, S Godelorid (Bel). Fifth intel: 1, Hasthaek; 2, D Theodoraks (GT); 3, A Davis (GB); 4, P de Molenaer (Bel); 5, Powell; 6, H Eckardt (Bel); 5, Powell; 6, H Eckardt







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EQUESTRIANISM Honours are

MICHAEL WHITAKER, On Hell-derson Tees Hanauer, and Ire-land's Harry Marshall, on Foxfield, equalled the arena record by clearing 7ft 5in to share first place in the European Community Puissance at the Kerrygold Dublin Horse Show

Marshall, riding Fraulein, was also the main challenger to the

The British team for today's

own back line, giving Pendell a 60-yarder. Galvan took it at the 60-yarder. Galvan took it at the dribble and, after a long goal-mouth skirmish, found the Hildon flags to equalise again. In the conclusive chukka, Hildon's brilliant attacking combination, led by their eightgoal Englishman, Hipwood, and

HILDON: 1, M Amoore (4); 2, T Llorente (8); 3, H Hipwood (9); Back: N Lobel (1). PEMDELL: 1, P Eniot (5); 2, A Gelwan (7); 3, E Heguy (10); Back: P Scott (1). RIO PARDO: 1, R Guttradge (4); 2, A Bordeu (8); 3, P Merlos (6); Back: R Mansur (4). PLADMORE: 1, W Lucas (5); 2, A Seavit (5); 3, J Horswell (6); Beck: J J Diaz Alberdi (6).

Alpine races Oberhofen, Switzerland (Reuter) - The International Ski Federation yesterday gave New Zealand permission to stage four men's Alpine ski World

Wright move

18 months, to be started by the racing car builder. Adrian Reynard, and the Formula 3000

Douglas goes England's former No. 1 table tennis player, Desmond Douglas, aged 35, is to retire from European league competition.

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Hick is

with a

century

By GEOPPREY WHEELER

NEIL Fairbrother, who has

wasted his England chances

and Graeme Hick, who is

likely to go straight into the side next year when his qualifying period ends, played the outstanding innings an

yesterday's county cricket championship matches.

The Warwickshire bowlers

were left regretting that

Fairbrother had not been included in the Texaco Trophy.

party, as he gave them an

ummerciful caning at Cov-entry Lancashire in dangerof

the follow-on at 116 for sac.

were able to declare at 332 fire eight, thanks to Fairbrother's

unbeaten 203 during which

he passed his 1,000 for the

less than five hours and the two sixes and 35 fours.

Hick's pubeaten 171 at

Worcester was his fifth championship century in the

six and 29 fours. The day's other century-makers were Mark Wangh, of

Essex Martin Speight, 1085 Sussex and Keith Brown, for

Waugh's 126 put Esset of

the championship leader.

the road to almost certain victory against Derbyshire, whose wicketkeeper, Krikken,

took five catches. Derbyshire, 98 behind on first innings.

were routed by Neil Foster second time around, but Essex

were not quite able to finish the match in two days. Speight pulled Sussex round

from 111 for six - the Wells-

brothers were both out first

hall - against Surrey. There

were six sixes in his hundred

last six seasons against Si set. His innings included oper

season in only his seventeen

minings. Fairbrother was in

Two giants take the centre stage

By MITCHELL PLATTS GOLF CORRESPONDENT

GREG Norman and Nick Faldo yesterday raised the curtain on the 119th Open Championship at St Andrews by wasting little time in moving centre stage on the Old Course.

Norman claimed a share of the lead with Michael Allen, of the United States, on 66 and Nick Faldo refused to be banished to the wings as he completed his 67 with a rare agle at the 18th.

The setting was perfect for these two giants of the modern game, as a light breeze coming from the east off St Andrews Bay providing relief from the sultry conditions rather than protection for the course.

Neither Norman nor Faldo, winners of the Open in 1986 and 1987 respectively, have made a better start to this championship, Norman's previous best first-round score was a 67, in 1984; Faldo has had several 68s. Norman looked impressive

from the moment he holed from 14 feet for a birdie at the 1st. He suppressed his natural inclination to take a course by the scruff of the neck and instead favoured a conservative route to the left side of the firm fairways.

The Australian did not

place himself under pressure until, at the 9th, he rolled a putt of 25 feet some six feet past. He made the return and with a putt of 20 feet for a birdie at the 10th began an inward half, in which he made no mistakes. Norman, aged 35, has matured and this was a vintage performance.

Faldo made his entrance little more than 30 minutes after Normans. He had, 24 hours earlier, celebrated his 33rd birthday although the festivities will have to wait until Sunday evening, when he will hope to be the first golfer to win both the Masters and Open in the same year since Gary Player in 1974.

The inclusion of a two wood with a loft of ten degrees has provided Faldo with an option to his graphite-shafted driver and the two dovetailed well. What was particularly encouraging was the manner in which Faldo went at the pins. The longest putt he holed for his four birdies was one of 12 feet, although he was not required to withdraw the putter from his bag at the 18th.

There, he provided a moment of pure theatre for that section of the record first-day crowd of 39,339 gathered around the green. Faldo found himself closer to the green than he had wanted although from 45 yards he played a delightful pitch and run with an eight-iron, which found the sanctuary of the hole for a two.

Faldo played alongside Scott Hoch, whom he beat in a play-off for the Masters last within four feet of the hole. year. Hoch had, before teeing- Poxon said: "It's better than off, claimed that comments sex.'



attributed to him concerning the Englishman were not true. He had stated that Faldo was not the player"I would pick to play with" and that they were not "real friendly." Faldo followed the round with an invitation to tea which the American accepted.

Allen has revealed that something a little stronger than tea threatened some years ago to impair his vision on the fairways. "There was a time when I was drinking myself into oblivion." Allen said. "Once, at the European tour school, I locked myself in a room and the only time I came out over the next three days was to get some more beer. It had to stop,"

There was a justifiable reason for Alien to drink a few glasses of Dom Perignon when 12 months ago he won the Bell's Scottish Open, but he has no intention of walking anything except a straight line this week with the silver claret jug now in his sights.

Allen's cup will runneth over, too, if his putter remains as sweet to him as it was throughout his 66. He holed a putt of 150 feet at the 13th, which should be given a place in the Guinness Book of Records, for one of his seven birdies in the first 14 holes. He two putted from 80 feet at the 14th and from 100 feet at the

Ian Woosnam was less than satisfied with the Ram Zebra putter that has become such a friend during the last two weeks when he has won the Monte Carlo Open and the Bell's Scottish Open. So much so, that he claimed he would return it to the professional shot at Oswestry if it refuses to work from here on.

Even so, Woosnam is well placed following a 68 which proved a popular score since no fewer than seven players finished on that mark. They included Christy O'Connor Jnr, Martin Poxon, Sam_Torrance and the American, Peter Jacobsen, whose hopes of sharing the lead evaporated when he took six at the 17th as the early evening sun began to cast shadows across St Andrews.

In contrast, Poxon had teedoff in the first group at 7.15am and finished almost before the Bollinger tent had served its first customers. He, too, might have called for a bottle or two, after a round which included a birdie at the 17th when he struck a superb five-iron to



Driving force: Severiano Ballesteros, of Spain, one of the favourites for the Open, in powerful form on the Old Course at St Andrews yesterday

first with a birdie at the same

hole, the fifth, then an eagle at

the 18th that raised a roar they

will have heard in Perth. "My

game is very solid" he said in

the understatement of the day.

If Faldo talks to anyone

O'Connor, unlike Poxon, has been there before. In 1985, he had his chance although it was Sandy Lyle, playing with him, who won the Open. O'Connor has also played as he did yesterday alongside Fred Couples before. It was in the Ryder Cup and, if you haven't forgotten, the Irishman won with a two-iron to the final green. The two have been friends ever since; exchanging letters and Christmas cards. It is an example of the sporting traditions held so

Torrance provided regal entertainment later in the day in strengthening wind when, with three birdies in four holes from the 12th, he put behind ferent performances this season. He was armed, as he always is nowadays, with his long-handled putter, although the Wilson sports company, who manufacture that club. were more surprised that at the eleventh hour the legendary Arnold Palmer, following a practice session, elected to take a new set of their FG 17 irons onto the course. Palmer scored 73, Gary Player

72. Jack Nicklaus 71 and Lee

Trevino 69.

S Pate (US) A Sorensen (Den) D Pooley (US) M Hulbert (US)

N Price (Zim) M O'Meara (US) V Singh (Fiji) M Reid (US)

T Simpson (US) R Gamez (US) J Rivero (Sp) R Rafferty

stroke that said it all

By DAVID MILLER

THE Masters champion and the man who so nearly might have been, 15 months ago, were partners on the first day of the Open. They did not say much to each other. Some people seem to think that is a story. Personally, I thought Nick Faldo's golf was much more of a story.

high by those involved in the It is sad on the circuit that Scott Hoch has a loose lip. He let slip the ill-advised word even more readily than he let slip the 18-inch play-off putt that would have denied Faldo the first of his consecutive this championship. Hoch had said he did not much care for playing with Faldo who, he alleged, was uncommunicative. Yesterday, I thought Hoch should have got the message: Faldo's concentration does not leave much room for social intercourse.

Faldo, who won his first major three years ago at Muirfield, played the sort of game that perpetuates success. His round contained only two visible errors, and each time

during a round, it is to his caddie, Fanny Sunesson. She fusses around him as attentively as a young primary school teacher with a fiveyear-old; and she offers more advice, on the line of his putts, than the Chancellor receives from No. 10. Pretty often it

The platform for Faldo's enough start for anyone, was made from the 10th to the 13th, with three birdies in four holes; and so nearly three more at the next three holes. choice to the left or right of the Solid indeed.

He had gone one-under at the par-5 fifth. Avoiding the line of seven bunkers on the right of the fairway - which Hoch did not - he then badly topped his second, which scudded along the ground rather in the way that I tend to hit the ball. Yet he recovered radishes

with a neat chip on to the front ridge of the green and a 12ft single purt.

At the 10th, he hit a glorious three iron and wedge to within four feet, and holed. At the short 11th, where the bittersweet aroma of seaweed drifts up from the rocks on the St Andrews Bay shoreline, he held a firm par, playing like clockwork as he had throughout, eyes fixed on the horizon of his objective. Another fine drive and-

wedge at the 316-yard 12th, and he birdied from nine feet. The momentum was gathering, in tune with the fighternacusing their kind of offensive game down the runways across the water at Leuchars. The 13th is a dilemma of

Coffin bunkers. Faldo got his line correct, and was comfortably on the green in two, some eight feet from the pin. He and his caddie now walked about heads down, bent in two, for what seemed five minutes; a allotment planting lettuce or

dressed. Faldo waggled his toes up and down, like a diver on the edge of the springboard. Then a gentle ping, while gulls screeched overhead and the sun beat down unsparingly on the most under-dressed and over-exposed crowd ever to attend an Open. Four-under and four to play.

The next two holes frustrated Faido by no more than inches; he might have gone six under to level with Norman, several holes out in front. And so to the 17th. He took the lefthand route to the green, going past the bunkers and leaving plenty of room to aim had towards the flag From 25yards he chipped to within four feet, but two-putted to

lose a stroke. With his new two-wood in fact an alloy — he under-hit to the 18th. "A difficult position" he reflected afterwards. Some 40 yards from the flag, he hit a low pitch-and-run. watched it turn left and right ... and nestle against the stick couple of gardeners on the in the hole. That said rather more than Hoch might have wished to hear from him.

made from only 105 deliveries. Brown was unbeaten with 09, his first century since the opening match of the season. when the Middlesex first innings closed at 340 at: Uxbridge against Yorksbire, whose left-arm spinner Phil Carrick, 38 earlier this week, took five for 99 to limit his

side's deficit to 97.4 v Neil Taylor, of Kent, cerrainly deserved a hundred at Northampton, where the Cowdrey brothers failed to score, both victims of Curdy Ambrose in a burst of four wickets in 24 balls. Thanks to Taylor's 97 and valuable contributions from the lower order, Kent railied to 283 but sulf had to follow on 162

behma. Nottinghamshire also followed on against Hampshire at Portsmouth after being dismissed for 110, but managed to take the match into the third day by reaching 177 for six at their second attempt. They are still 14 behind.

More cricket, page 40

Girls given support by schools FA By PETER BALL

THE English Schools' Football Association (ESFA), hitherto a bastion of male supremacy, has altered its constitution to include girls. The ESFA is also pressing the Football Association to alter its rules to allow boys and girls to play together up to 11 years'

of age.

The decision was passed by an overwhelming majority at last week's annual meeting in Newcastle, after considerable pressure from some of the

member associations. The ESFA, which was founded in 1904, represents all levels of schools, although the public schools also have their own association. It is, how-ever, still dependent on the final approval of the Charity Commissioners, but the loss, of charitable status no longer appears a sizeable danger. The next step, the change in

FA rules, will have to wart until the association's annual meeting next summer. The FA has been carrying out its own investigation into the pro-posal, and, after two discussions on the subject in the last six months, ESFA officials were confident yesterday it would be approved.

In rural areas, in particular, the change is desperately needed, with junior schools finding they are unable to field teams unless they play mixed sides. At the moment, these record attendance of 39.309 to can only play in friendly

The prospect was widely welcomed yesterday. "Girls being taught to play alongside. boys in school from an early age will benefit the women's On the corresponding day at game so much for obvious. St Andrews six years ago, the reasons." Linda Whitehead figure for the entire day was the secretary of the women's FA, said.

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A North (US) B Barnes ' denotes amateu ◆ The first 70 and ties will play on the last two days Today's weather: Continuing dry, and a little cooler than yesterday. Maximum temperature 23°C (73°F). Wind, light, west to northwest, overnight mist dispersing by morning.

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TODAY'S ORDER OF PLAY

GB and ireland unless stated 7.15: J Spence, J Gervas (Sp), C Moody, 7.25: J Rutledge (Can), G Farr, K Waters. 7.35: P Hedblom (Swe), R González (Arg), D Mijovic (Can), 7.45: J Nicklaus (US), D Frost (SA), J-M Olazábal (Sp): 7.55: J Mudd (US), W Westner (SA), J Rivero (Sp).

8.05: P Stewart (US), M Clayton (Aus), B Langer (WG), 8.20: R Boxall, L Mize (US), S Elkington (Aus), 8.30: P Jacobsen (US), C Beck (US), M Martin (Sp), 8.40: C Pavin (US), M Harwood (Aus), R Rafferty, 8.50: A Palmer (US), G Player (SA), "R Muntz (Neth).

9.00: R Floyd (US), F Nobilo (NZ), D Smyth. 9.10: B Crenshaw (NZ), D Smyth 9, 10; B Crefishw (US), B Ogle (Aus), M Mackenzie. 9,25; J Sluman (US), S Torrance, J Hawkes (SA). 9,35; J Huston (US), R Chapman, P Senior (Aus). 9,45; P Way, D Hammond (US), M Ozaki (Japan). 9,55; K Green (US), D Feherty, P Fowler (Aus).

10.05: C Stadler (US), D Love (US), R Davis (Aus). 10.15: M McCumber (US), M James, D Graham (Aus). 10.30: V Fernandez (Arg), -B Glasson (US), P Azinger (US). 10.40: O Moore (Aus). "Y Kuramoto (Japan), S Bennett. 10.50: W Player (SA), P Broadhurst, P Hali.

11.00: J Morgan, G Powers (US), P Hoad. 11.10: K Trimble (Aus), G Levenson (SA), D Durnian. 11.20: P Mayo, R Drum-mond, "A Nash, 11.35: D Canipe (US), B Estes (US), A Saavedra (Arg), 11.45: J Woodland (Aus), M Poxon, D A Russell, 11.55: D Ray, D Cooper, P Harrison.

12.05: P Lyons, D Jones, A Oldcom. 12.15: S Pate (US), L Wadkins (US), A Sorensen (US). 12.25: H Inwin (US), J-M Cañizares (Sp), N Ozaki (Japen). 12.40: D Pooley (US), M Roe, B Jones (Aus). 12.50: M Hulbert (US), S Jones (US), E Romero (Am)

13.00: S Ballesteros (Sp.), T Watson (US), N Price (Zim).
13.10: M Celcavecchia (US), F Couples (US), C O'Connor Jr.
13.20: R Charles (NZ), C Patton (US), T Weiskopf (US). 13.30: M O'Meara (US), H Clark, I Baker-Finch (Aus). 13.45: A Lyle, T Kite (US), V Singh (Fij), 13.55: B McAllster (US), P Wafton, G Turner (NZ).

14.05: M Reid (US), S Ginn (Aus), G Brand Jr. 14.15: C Montgomerie, L Trevino (US), T Simpson (US). 14.25: A North (US), M McNulty (Zim), E Darcy. 14.35: S Simpson (US), W Grady (Aus), M Moutand. 14.50: R Camez (US), B Twee (US). G Gamez (US), R Tway (US), G Norman (Aus).

15.00: A Murray, T Armour (US), I Aoki (Japan), 15.10: C Strange (US), C Parry (Aus), I Woosnam, 15.20: N Faldo, S Wodsham. 19.20: N Fato, S. Hoch (US), J Bland (SA): 15.30: P. Mitchell, J Davifa (Sp); R Hartmann (US), 15.40: J Curros (Sp), P Curry, P Archibold (Aus). 15.50: P Baker, Y Hagewa (Japan), B Barnes.

16.00: J Berendt (Arg), B Norton (US), R Weir. 16.10: A Hare, K Knox (US), M Allen (US), 16.20: M Krantz (Swe), J Higgins, D

Stadler unable to master

St Andrews CRAIG Stadler, the former Masters champion, tell to a

disastrous nine over par after just six holes of the 119th Open at St Andrews yesterday. He struck a double bogey six at the first, bogeyed the next and the fourth and then dropped two more shots at the long fifth. Worse was to come. He

slumped to a three-over-par-seven at the 416-yard sixth. Stadler, who won at Augusta in 1982, spent the three weeks before the tournament on safari in Zambia. "I don't expect to play

well," he said, reflective that he shot 61 to win the Scandinavian Enterprise Open in Sweden only five veeks ago. Blazing sunshine brought a

the first day of the Championship yesterday. At noon, a total of 37.437 spectators were on the course. compared to 28,760 at Royal

Troon last year.

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